

GERMANS WORTHY WINNERS

WUNDERBAR!

BY LOU GAUTIER

WEST Germany are the champions of the world after beating Argentina 1-0 in the World Cup final at Rome's Olympic Stadium, but their third title was not without controversy.

Though the West Germans proved over the month-long tournament that they were the better team and worthy champions, the final was not their finest hour. It took a hugely contested penalty for what was at worst an untidy tackle by

Roberto Sensini on Rudi Voller to win the match. As was the wont of several German players at Italia '90, especially Jurgen Klinsmann, Voller took a dive. And Mexican referee Edgardo Code-sal gave the Germans another nudge

by sending off Pedro Monzon for a foul which only deserved a yellow card, forcing an already depleted Argentina to play with 10 men for the last 25 minutes — a handicap further compounded when Gustavo Dezotti was also unjustly sent off with five

minutes to go. While West Germany's superiority and right to carry off the biggest prize in sport cannot be contested, one can only express disappointment at the quality

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SPOT THE WINNER!

West Germany's personable coach Franz Beckenbauer epitomises the old saw — "Winners can smile, losers can please themselves." He captained his country to a 1974 World Cup win, and then had the honour of coaching them to their 1990 final victory.

World Cup breaks viewing records

THE World Cup has attracted an estimated 20 million Australian viewers — the largest national sporting audience in the country's history and three million more than the population.

A spokesman for the Victorian State Electricity Commission (SECV) said there had been a noticeable increase in power use during the wee hours of the morning since the World Cup started on June 9.

He said Victorian householders had used up to 100 megawatts during this period and this represented between 200,000 and 250,000 TV viewers a night watching the soccer.

Going by the experience of Victoria, which represented 27 per cent of the national population, this meant up to one million people across Australia tuned in nightly to Italia '90.

With Italy, West Germany and England in the semi-finals, drawing on three of Australia's largest migrant populations as well as neutrals, the semi-final viewer figures surpassed 1.5 million.



The Australian figure may be only a small fraction of an estimated world viewing audience of 26 billion during Italia '90 but for a nation where soccer is not the number one football code it is highly impressive.

Victorian Soccer Federation secretary George Wallace said: "It is a fantastic figure."

"I'd say the viewing audience in New South Wales alone — which is the strongest soccer State — would be up to 500,000."

Monday morning (Australia time) saw the largest single night sports viewing audience ever in Australia because the World Cup final followed closely on the heels of the Wimbledon men's singles final.

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AND MUCH, MUCH MORE

Huge July 25 promotion for new Arena Football

BY PHIL MARTIN

ARENA football has been evolved for super-slick marketing as the new generation of Indoor Soccer and Futsal.

But it won't start without a few belly-aches.

"It's rubbish — they should go back to the old rules," was an immediate complaint.

But those reactions were in the minority at the first showing of Arena football at the Fairfield Sports Centre in Sydney.

"I loved it ... it's so much faster, you're going ahead all the time. Attack, attack, attack ... it's great!" enthused the experienced Ken Wilson.

Australian international Futsal superstar Shiska Filipovic was more reserved in his judgement.

"It's good ... but I'm not sure about the scoring ... maybe it is too easy to shoot for the three pointer ... I am more of a skills player and I can get in close ... but then I only get one point."

In a bold attempt to attract the interest of commercial television, Joe Brent and Jim Roberts, heads of the James Hardie Indoor Soccer League, are re-launching the sport with new rules, a new image and a new name.

"We want our sport to grow," said Brent, "and to do that we need more sponsors."

"To get sponsors we need to be on commercial television."

"To get on commercial television we had to make our game more entertaining and

more glamorous."

The glamour comes in part from the addition of a squad of professional cheer leaders, a rock 'n' roll band, new style uniforms and the new name.

Arena football evokes the excitement of gladiatorial contests, and space age outfits for the players create a Twenty-First Century image.

To adapt the game itself, several rule changes have been introduced. All are designed to make the game more entertaining for the casual viewer. The most obvious change is in the scoring with a 3-2-1 system replacing the old one point for one goal rule.

Other rules penalise negative play. Teams cannot return the ball to their half from the kick-off until they have had a shot at goal and can only keep the ball in their own half for 10 seconds.

The most exciting new rule allows the replacement of the goalkeeper with a striker in the final two minutes of each half. This gives a team a better chance of scoring but at the risk of leaving an open goal.

In the trial between last year's finalists, the Amigas and the Swans, the utilisation of this tactic resulted in the Swans needing a one pointer to salvage an 8-all draw as time ran out.

Maybe the most pertinent comment on the new rules came from Amiga's captain Steve Knight. "I think it'll work," he said, "but we need to take

time to adapt to the rule changes ... it's certainly much faster."

The coaches agreed, citing new strategies and increased rotation of players as priorities in adapting their game-plans to the new rules. "I had to change my replacement schedule. The players were struggling in the second half," said Swans coach Bernie Duval.

The initial crowd were enthusiastic about the action, although some of the purists doubted the wisdom of tinkering with the established rules.

They cheered wildly at each goal and were left breathless by the furious pace and frequent scoring attempts.

The acid test will come when the new game is officially launched on the night of Wednesday, July 25 with the inaugural Arena Football League East Side versus West Side All Stars challenge at the NSW State Sports Centre at Homebush in Sydney.

The night will feature a full match between the best players in the league, followed by a VIP reception.

The game is being covered for television by Videopak, Sydney's leading video production company, and will be shown on Nine's Wide World of Sports.

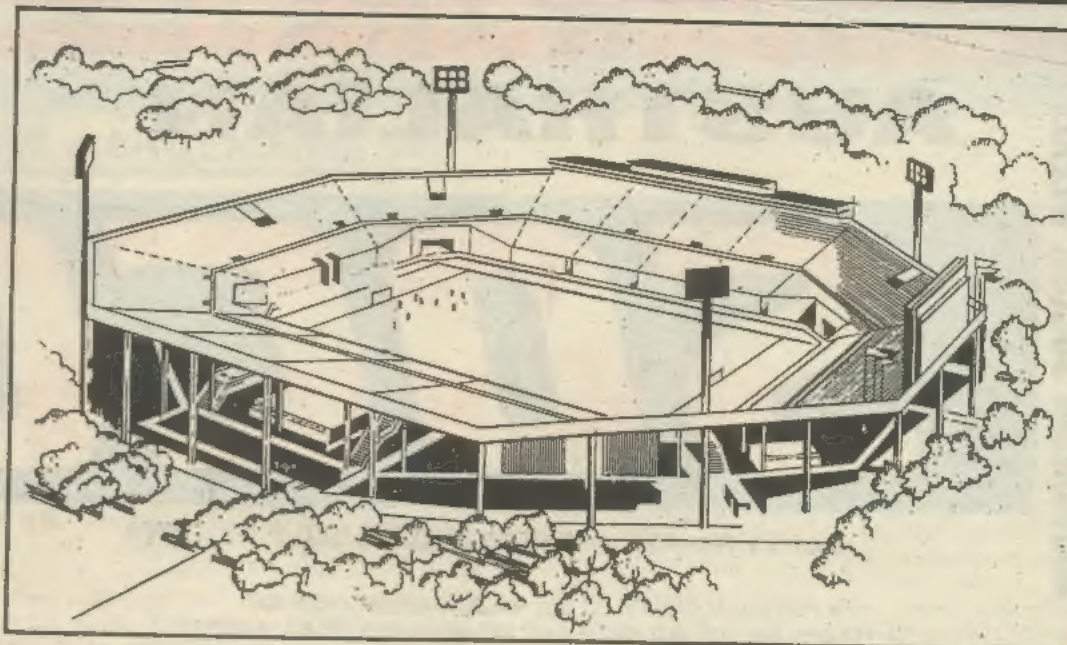
Nine have provided their top director, Geoff Morris, who brings State of Origin, Test cricket and Grand Prix experience to the coverage.

To ensure the game gets the huge commentary it deserves, the dynamic Darrell Eastlake will be at the microphone and negotiations are continuing for a high profile co-commentator.

Some time in the future the launch of the new rules may take on the same significance as the introduction of the limited tackle rule in rugby league or the advent of the forward pass in gridiron.

Arena Football may never rise to the heights of popularity of those two sports but the elimination of negative play, speeding up the game and increasing scoring opportunities will certainly go a long way to ensuring that the game that used to be called Indoor Soccer will attract a larger following and a epoch-opener on commercial television.

Sydney Soccer Stadium goes down the tube



THE possibility of Sydney obtaining a specialised football stadium to be utilised for international and major National League matches faded when the NSW State Government was forced to prune its budget.

Shortly after the Premiers' Conference in Canberra NSW Premier Nick Greiner cut the \$168 million transfer of the Moore Park Showground and Sydney Athletic Field facilities to Homebush Bay from his wish list.

The overall scheme was to demolish existing Moore Park facilities and sell off the land for valuable close to city quality housing developments.

After that the proceeds would be used to provide a modern Showground, a soccer football arena for 30,000 people with extensions to 60,000, and a major indoor arena.

Soccer in Sydney needs a high class home. It is to be hoped that the project, although now on the backburner, can be revived at the earliest opportunity.

A way must be found to display Australian soccer in Sydney in the right environment.

— KEITH GILMOUR

AIS Far East tour filled the bill

BY GRAHAM COOKE

THE recent Australian Institute of Sport tour of the Far East was largely what was required for the students at this stage of their development, head coach Ron Smith says.

"While we did not want every game to be a backs-to-the-wall affair, we wanted some tough ones, and in the end the mix was about right," he said.

The AIS won nine and drew one of its 10 games in Hong Kong, China and Malaysia, with several being decided on the odd goal.

"Some of the opposition could have been a bit harder, but on the whole it's a successful first venture to that part of the world and I will be looking to repeat it," Smith said.

"The teams we met were technically very good, though they seldom caused us much trouble in our defensive third of the field."

From now on I'd like to see each new AIS squad go to Asia for its first tour. "Then, after a season's football, head to New Zealand to get experience of an entirely different style. "The following year would be an excellent time to get the players into some of the under-21 tournaments in Europe."



RON SMITH, head coach

"Basically, they need a few more risk-takers in and around the penalty box."

For Smith, the problem was curbing his normally adventurous squad to a style suitable to the often steamy conditions.

"We stressed the need to maintain possession because we knew that giving the ball away would involve a lot of running in the heat," he said.

"Because of the hectic match schedule we could only work from game to game, but the boys responded magnificently and learnt a lot."

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RASIC SUPPORT SOUGHT

ASF chairman John Constantine has extended the hand of friendship to former national coach, Rale Rasic. In 1974 Rasic took the Socceroos to the World Cup finals in West Germany — the only time it has been done. Rasic was peeved over the selection process for the national coach appointment, which

went to Eddie Thomson after the ASF could not meet Czechoslovak World Cup coach Joe Venglos' terms. Rasic said: "I have no quibble with Eddie," and thinks that old wounds with the ASF may still be open. Mr Constantine feels that the Rasic experience would be invaluable on the ASF technical committee.

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Let's cash in on the World Cup

BY LOU GAUTIER

THE 1990 World Cup is over — an event which has had a tremendous impact in Australia.

It would not be exaggerating to claim that no sporting event in which Australia did not compete has ever enjoyed such media coverage or aroused such wide-spread interest.

SBS' blanket coverage of the tournament, the ABC's transmissions to areas not reached by the SBS UHF transmitters and the unparalleled newspaper cover have had everyone talking about the World Cup.

Large sections of the Australian public with only a scant knowledge or interest in the sport have been literally swept up in World Cup mania.

People in the streets, pubs, everywhere throughout the country, really, talked about the World Cup and the accumulative television audience is estimated to have come close to the 20 million mark.

So how about cashing in on the World Cup?

Do we wait another four years for the finals in the USA, with or without Australia, or do we do something to tap the interest in the sport engendered by Italia '90 while memories are still fresh?

We have to keep the momentum going.

The Australian Soccer Federation, unfortunately, to date has announced nothing on its international agen-

nal team caught the imagination in the 1988 Bicentennial

ceroos the type of opposition they hardly ever get.

The ASF, via a sponsor or two, could do worse than to



We might not be able to secure West Germany, whose Rudi Voller here attempts to pass Colombian 'keeper Rene Higuita, but there are many other national teams the ASF could tempt to visit Australia.

da in the foreseeable future to cash in on the impact of the World Cup.

An international tournament in August in Indonesia for the Socceroos, the showcase of our game, is just not good enough.

Attractions

The World Cup has shown there is support for soccer when the occasion is right — as it was when the nation-

Gold Cup.

Brazil or Argentina may be out of the financial reach of the ASF, but surely the success of the World Cup will encourage sponsors to help finance visits by attractive national sides.

Matches against them will not only provide first class entertainment, large crowds and extensive media coverage, they will also give the Soc-

It's not too late to organise, say, a four-team international tournament in September — before the start of the National Soccer League.

And it wouldn't be necessary to attract European teams either.

The emergence of the so-called 'Third World' at Italia '90 has caught the imagination of sports fans all over the world, including Australia.

approach teams like Cameroun, Egypt, Costa Rica, Mexico, the United Arab Emirates or South Korea.

Three of any of these countries, plus the Socceroos, would provide the basis for a successful series and would brighten the local scene considerably.

We just can't afford to sit on our hands and allow the impact of the World Cup to go to waste.

Race on for Coaching Director

BY KEITH GILMOUR

BERTI Mariani is a distinct possibility to become the next National Director of Coaching, but there also other top men who could apply and scoop the pool.

The post fell vacant when holder Eddie Thomson was transferred across to national coach in place of long-time incumbent, Frank Arok.

The Australian Soccer Federation is expected to call for applicants for the position without delay.

Mariani's coaching and organisational work with outstandingly successful Marconi has certainly not gone unnoticed, but whether he would throw aside his now highly remunerative club position at this stage of his career remains to be seen.

He holds a degree from Sydney Univer-

sity with honours in psychology.

Others tipped to make application are Steve Darby, David Lee, Bruce Stowell and Ron Tindall.

The tip is that Tim White is well placed in Melbourne and John Ward in Perth.

One of the lesser known likely applicants is Steve Darby, currently National Director of the Aussie Sports scheme in Canberra.

Apart from his coaching credentials — he holds his English badge and is a FIFA instructor — he is also a member of the Australia Coaching Council.

He is well versed in administration and fund-raising, and holds an honours degree in physical education and a masters degree in education.

Darby has served as coaching director in both Tasmania and the ACT, and currently is national coach for the

Australian women's team in its first World Cup bid.

David Lee from NSW is the highly active 'Aussie battler' who missed out under the previous regime, but who has shown his mettle in pushing NSW coaching ahead.

Lee visited England to obtain his qualifications many years ago.

Very highly regarded also is Perth's Ron Tindall, the former West Australian director, English professional player and ex-manager of Plymouth in the English League.

Tindall was snapped up by the WA Dept of Sport and Recreation a few years back to fill a senior position.

Apart from his other attributes, he is regarded as an outstanding publicist.

Queensland director Bruce Stowell might be another applicant.

The former Bradford professional, who had a highly successful

further career with Pan Hellenic in Sydney, has oversight of probably Australia's most widespread and successful soccer coaching scheme.

It seems highly unlikely that Ron Smith would contemplate leaving his present position as head coach at the Australian Institute of Sport.

It is believed unlikely that the successful applicant will come from outside the above group.

It is up to the ASF to get the right man in place as soon as possible.

And in addition the old fashioned nomenclature of 'Director of Coaching' is overdue to be dropped.

The school teacherish attitude must be laid to rest, and a name such as 'National Development Manager' should be brought in as a flow on of the Bradley Report.

TOM GRIMSON PASSES ON

Thomas Robertson Grimson, one of soccer's most loyal servants in Australia, passed away in his sleep on Saturday June 30 at the age of 72.



TOM GRIMSON

Mr Grimson served the game well and truly since first turning out in the then Australian top competition, the NSW State League, in the Newcastle area in his younger days.

Turning to administration with the Canterbury club in Sydney, from the early sixties onward he occupied the important positions of president of the NSW Soccer Federation and treasurer of the Australian Soccer Federation amongst many others.

He was honoured with the Order of Australia Medal, and prior to that was made a life member of both the NSW Soccer Federation and the Australian Soccer Federation.

His wife predeceased him, and he is survived by his daughter Robyn and son Malcolm, to whom our sincere condolences are offered.

Of level-headed, sunny disposition and a long time employee of the Australian Taxation Office in Sydney, he was renowned for his diligence in dealing with any matter in which he became involved.

One of his greatest delights in football was the time he spent as manager of the Australian Youth team.

Many soccer identities bade him farewell at his funeral service at the Congregational Church, Milperra, last Thursday.

— KEITH GILMOUR

We're conspicuous by our absence

COACHES from every corner of the globe congregated in Italy to observe the World Cup finals.

The entire world, that is, except Australia who did not bother to send its national director of coaching to Italia '90!

To their credit, several Aussie coaches — and players — paid their own way to Italy, but at an official level we shone by our absence.



Eddie Thomson

It seems hard to comprehend why Eddie Thomson was not dispatched to Italy to study the latest trends in either his former capacity as director of coaching or in his new post of Socceroo coach.

Watching the World Cup on SBS Television is hardly the same thing as mingling with the world's best coaches and technicians in Italy.

Will we ever learn? — LOU GAUTIER

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Jerzy Drys on target

A most enjoyable and well contested encounter at Chopin Park produced a knife-edge 2-2 draw in which each side in turn enjoyed periods where they looked in full command.

North Shore have been suffering a lean spell recently, but they reshuffled the pack and came up with a fresh and lively looking outfit after a lack of ideas left them short of fire power in recent weeks.

Mark Nile re-emerged as an attacking player and gave Glenn Jeffery some solid support up front.

Craig Bass took over as sweeper from the absent Wayne Pierce and showed surprising authority in his new role to keep Beamer and Soper quiet in the opening stages, while Jerzy Drys and Jarek Nowicki found room elsewhere to cause their own problems.

Drys had a chance from a 24th minute free kick and when the shot rebounded from the defensive wall, Lech Kulwicki blasted the ball over the bar. Significantly, Drys was later to remedy the fault.

Meanwhile, North Shore pressed on and eventually won a corner on the left in the 34th which saw Lee Sutherland swing the ball over. After a few heads had connected and Bruce Thurlow had pushed the ball against the bar, Pat Crookes managed to head home well from close range.

Marshall Soper missed one sitter and was set to succeed in the 45th, chasing a ball and then chipping towards goal, but Norths stopper Crookes lifted it off the line and into the waiting arms of 'keeper Michael Blanco, who was well placed to catch the ball.

Crookes again rescued the visitors, by a free kick awarded on the edge of the box in the 57th brought the equalizer.

The ball was slipped wide to Drys, who took time to steady before placing a low ground shot into the far corner beyond the reach of Blanco.

Drys crossed nicely for Soper whose shot went sailing over the bar in the 61st, but Soper managed to win a second penalty in the 74th, after another clash with Blanco.

This time Drys had the responsibility and made no mistake to put Polonia into the lead.

When Aaron Ferguson was upended in the area in the 78th minute, Lee Sutherland stepped up to take a rare penalty for North Shore which he quickly converted.

Both sides worked hard to seal things up and despite four minutes of stoppage time, neither defence cracked again, with a draw a fair result.

turning a Drys header wide, after a good cross by Nowicki soon

after the restart.

Alan Robertson sent Soper away with a quickly despatched long ball out of defence in the 56th, but Blanco came out to stop Soper who was adjudged to have fouled the NSL loan player.

The penalty taken by Kulwicki was brilliantly saved by Blanco to preserve North Shore's lead.

AVALA: Thurlow, M Pratt, C Thompson, Robertson, Kulwicki, Andersen, Mojca, Drys, Beamer, Soper, Nowicki (D. Pratt 88).
NORTH SHORE UNITED: Blanco, McColl, Gillan (Gough 75), Crookes, Bass, Ferguson, Bradley (Marando 75), Sutherland, Norman, Nile, Jeffery.
REFEREE: N Asargiotis.

RESULTS
CONFERENCE A
Rockdale-Ilinden 2 (Segreto, Porter) Marconi 0, Warringah-Freshwater 1 (Gigliotti) Canberra Croatia 1 (Pretezi-na), Avala 1 (Welch) BHP Austral 1 (Porter), Sydney Macedonia 3 (Arcosa 2, Gilbert) Wollongong City 0, Sydney Olympic bye.

CONFERENCE B
Inter-Monaro 1 (Maricic) Canterbury-Marrickville 0, Sutherland Shire 3 (Bard 2, R. O'Shea) Sydney Croatia 0, Polonia 2 (Drys 2 (pen) North Shore United 2 (Crookes, Sutherland pen.), Wollongong Macedonia 3 (Fletcher 2, opponent o.g.) Blacktown City 1 (McKinna), St George bye.



An awkward ball, but BHP Austral gets in first at Melita Stadium against Avala. — STEPHEN GOSCH/AVENEWS.

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FIRST DIVISION

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Wollongong Macedonia on top in Brandon Park thriller

BY

DAVID COOPER

WOLLONGONG Macedonia continued to impress with their free-flowing style of football when they defeated Blacktown City 3-1 at Brandon Park.

In a very entertaining game which saw both sides attack at every opportunity, Wollongong showed they will be right up there when it comes to finals time.

Along with Canberra Croatia and Sutherland they are the only undefeated teams and Wollongong now have four wins from seven games.

The match opened up at a very fast pace with both sides having chances in the opening minutes to put a goal on the board.

The first goal however did not come until the 24th minute when Wollongong's Paul Kay found Graeme Fletcher on the right and he made no mistake with his angled shot.

Five minutes later Wollongong increased their lead when Bradley put the ball to Thornthwaite, who in turn crossed for Fletcher, whose shot took a wicked deflection off Blacktown's Lees to send Mautone in the Blacktown goal completely the wrong way as the ball went into the back of the net.

After looking

Rockdale easily

FIRST half goals from David Segreto and Stewart Porter put Rockdale Ilinden on the way to a 2-0 win over the new cellar dwellers Marconi at Hurstville Oval.

Rockdale dominated early, and it was Segreto who volleyed home from 10 metres in the 22nd minute for the first goal.

Goalkeeper Keith Warren set things in motion for the second goal.

He smashed a long ball through the centre, and Porter beat the entire defence to score.

Porter in fact had another golden chance, this time presented by Marconi's Socceroo de-

fender Gary van Egmond.

His back-pass was intercepted by the hungry Porter, but his shot was cleared off the goal-line.

Marconi was relying on an under 19 team, backed up only by the steady influence of van Egmond.

They played some pretty football, but it wasn't enough.

Carluccio tried a well weighted drive close to the end, but Warren was not troubled as it whistled past.

ROCKDALE ILINDEN: Warren, D. Wilson, Segreto, Naumovski, Ralevski, Petrovski, Willis, Stojceviski, Lerond, Porter, Markovski.

MARCONI: Bowles, Carluccio, Cortes (Calle 65m), Budwee, van Egmond, Mamone, Surjan, Charlewood, Dal'Est, Venegas, Licata.

Sutherland presses leaders

FOLLOWING their comprehensive 7-1 thrashing of Canterbury-Marrickville the previous weekend, Suther-

land maintained their excellent form this year by defeated an under-strength Croatia 3-0 at Seymour Shaw Park.

The deadlock was broken in the seventh minute when Scott Leney continued down the left flank from a good build up, to put Grant Bard through for a 20 metre drive which found the net.

O'Shea finishing off the move with a nice dummy against the 'keeper.

Young Croatia goalie Zeljko Kalac found his height against him and could not get down to Grant Bard's low 20 metre shot, following a run from the half way line by the emerging star striker late in the game.

With Wollongong



A heading duel at Melita Stadium. The Avala — BHP Austral result ended at 1-1. STEPHEN GOSCH/AVENEWS Pic.

beaten in the first half, Blacktown, mainly through the services of Gunning, hit back strongly in the second and were unlucky not to score early.

In the 78th minute the Demons did pull a goal back when a quick counter-attack through Gunning caught the defence in two minds.

He laid off a perfect pass to McKinna who slammed his shot past the outstretched arms of Wollongong goalkeeper Wilson.

Wollongong then sealed the win when Kay and Thornthwaite combined to give Fletcher an easy shot for his second.

WOLLONGONG MACEDONIA: Wilson, Cavanah, Dimov, Galloway, Cabesal, Kay, Sandy, Bradley, Brown, Fletcher, Thornthwaite.

BLACKTOWN CITY: Mautone, Lees, Connolly, Langan, Gunning, Comerford, Mason, Bennett, Gibson, Suman, McKinna. Subs: Ferguson, Rogers.
REFEREE: G. Smyth.

Croatia was kept pretty quiet throughout and never really threatened the Sharks, who themselves were without John Kosmina and Graham Arnold.

Contrary to expectations, Arnold will not be with the side for some time, due to commitments with his parent club, Sydney Croatia, on their forthcoming tour.

Jim Webber made the most of his second half appearance to send Darryl Sharp on his way in the 73rd minute, with Robbie

Macedonia now hitting their straps and the first round drawing to a close this weekend, the stage is set for an intriguing contest between about five clubs. St George apart, who have no promotion objectives to concern them.

SUTHERLAND: Darl, Edmonds (Webber 85), Christodoulou (Brampton 85), Sailer, Terry, Ensor, O'Shea, Hutcheon, Sharp, Leney, Bard.
SYDNEY CROATIA: Kalac, C. Jones, G. Gonzales, George, Vazilec, Pervan, Pillemer, Le Fevre, Ardene, Gomez (Zizic), Devecchia (Prusac).
REFEREE: D. Naylor.

Canberra Croatia drops one point

BY DAVID COOPER

CANBERRA Croatia were held to a 1-1 draw by a determined Warringah Freshwater at Cromer Park on the weekend.

In a very disappointing game which saw very few shots at goal, Warringah earned their point with strong defence against their more fancied opponents.

Warringah mounted the early pressure and forced two corners, but failed to get any shots in at goal.

Canberra then started to find their rhythm and started mounting some pressure on Warringah. Warringah's defence, led by captain coach Glenn Sterrey, held firm.

It wasn't until the 25th minute that Canberra took the lead after a midfield free-kick found its way into

the middle of the box.

Goalkeeper Frank Mikuletic seemed to have it covered; however he failed to hold the ball which dropped perfectly for Pratzina who crashed the ball into the back of the net from 12 metres out.

Both defences were on top and Sterrey used his two substitutes to try and get the equaliser.

This proved a very successful move when Gigliotti with his first touch headed home a De Ceglie corner.

Warringah should take heart from this performance and should improve as the season gets on.

WARRINGAH FRESHWATER: Mikuletic, Etherington, Sterrey, Knight, Dean, Masi, De Ceglie, Leo, Glanone (Gigliotti), Versi, Irlate (McBreen).

CANBERRA CROATIA: Gunning, Marcina, Mazic, Dunn, Young, Kulcar, Junna, Zelic, Reis, Lomezina, Pratzina.
REFEREE: A. Owens.

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Inter Monaro opens account at Canterburys expense

BY GRAHAM COOKE

INTER Monaro did itself a favour in its battle to beat NSW Soccer League relegation with a 1-0 win over Canterbury at the Marco Polo Ground on Sunday.

The points, the first the struggling club has picked up this season, resulted from an Emil Maricic goal midway through the first half, and were preserved by about equal measures of determination and good luck.

Coach Harry Williams has been unhappy with a lack of commitment over the opening run of six consecutive losses and there were some players who took his criticisms to heart.

Centre back Craig Alchin was Monaro's man of the game.

He will never be the most skillful player on the field, but on Sunday he was the hardest worker.

Leading by example, tackling back moving up for set pieces, he did not know the meaning of half pace.

Angelo Ambrosino



HARRY WILLIAMS

got into the action early as he floated a pass over to Njegosh Popovich.

It was a metre too long and ran over for a goal kick.

Minutes later Ambrosino was in action at the other end, intercepting a dangerous pass which would have found Peter Benetis clear.

Monaro took the lead with 24 minutes gone.

Tilly Carbone's cross reached Maricic in front of the Canterbury goal, and a sluggish defence allowed the big striker to turn the ball past Dragon Pupavac from close range.

Canterbury should have got back into the



match within five minutes of the interval when a cross found the home side's defence static and ball watching.

Benetis and Craig Hill were both left with an interrupted view to Monaro's Steve Hoszowski; in the end Hill's friendly prod was easily gathered by the grateful goalkeeper.

Hoszowski was less confident with an equally inept Canterbury effort, dropping a routine header from Louis Dounis on the line but quickly recovering; then a sweet interpassing movement through Monaro's midfield was spoilt by, of all players, Baz Giampaolo, who gave the ball away.

INTER MONARO: Hoszowski, A. Monterosso, Alchin, Bryant, B. Monterosso, (Arthur 46), Danielle, Carbone, Ambrosino, Popovich, Giampaolo, Maricic.

CANTERBURY: Popovic, Adamov (Sentas 66), Lardis, Radman, Spyridakos, Dilljak, Mellisourgos, Benetis, Hill, Dounis, Oustambasidis. REFEREE: John Jenkins.

Syd Macedonia's happy hunting ground

THIS 3-0 win for Sydney Macedonia emphasized again the superb home



Avala is first to the ball in a typical tussle in their 1-1 draw with BHP Austral at Melita Stadium on Sunday. Pic: STEPHEN GOSCH/AVENEWS.

form they enjoy at Jensen Park where few teams can come away with a result.

Wollongong City is a young side full of promise and they worked hard to get something out of this game.

They held the ever lively Macedonia team to 0-0 until the 68th minute, but survived a torrid period with goalkeeper George Bouhoutsos working overtime to deny Scott Gilbert in particular.

Leon Arcosa, who come to Australia originally thanks to the Wollongong club, a few years back, made this day his with some superb play.

He had the ball wide out and looked set to cross from 40 metres out on the left, but, spotting Bouhoutsos moving out to anticipate the cross, elected to shoot instead and left the 'keeper grasping at thin air as the ball hit the roof of the net.

Paul Robaards booted the ball over the bar after a free kick from Jason Higgs had been flicked on by Danzo, but such rare opportunities were

hardly enough to give the Wolves any real hope of getting anything out of this game once Macedonia had scored.

Fabian Kadric entered the fray from the substitutes' bench to get off on a solo run, which brought only a shot wide of the target, but Scott Gilbert atoned for earlier missed chances, chiefly due to the smart work of Bouhoutsos, by getting his side's second goal in the 80th minute.

Gilbert received the ball wide on the left from Scott Baillie and the two Scotts got the right result as Gilbert rounded both Hristovski and Robaards before sending the keeper the wrong way.

A foul on Gilbert during injury time allowed Leon Arcosa to get his second from a well taken free kick, in a masterly display by the Uruguayan playmaker.

SYDNEY MACEDONIA: Avevino, Souris, Baillie, Pilovski, Reveley, Arcosa, Fernandez, Kotsias, Gilbert, Spivovski (Card), Genovese (Kadric).

WOLLONGONG CITY: Bouhoutsos, Alpert, Placantini, Hristovski, Robaards, Krishna, Higgs, Srdinovski, Dimovski (Giusti), Danzo, Oldridge. REFEREE: A. Townsend.

Olympic Games side prepares

BY KEITH GILMOUR

THE Australian Olympic Games team sets off for its European tour on August 13.

membership of the NSW Amateur Federation the main suppliers, has provided the lead for the Federal authorities to follow.

In place are matches against the Olympic teams of Switzerland and Czechoslovakia, the League of Ireland and Dundee United, with at least one more probable.

The chance of a game in Bankok seems to be receding.

The squad has been training in Canberra under Les Scheinflug and Eddie Thomson.

At this stage the only game confirmed for the national team is against England on June 2 next.

But a few important subjects come up for discussion on July 28 when the Commissioners meet.

The National Director of Coaching is a case in point.

And, as a flow or from the Bradley Report, three important positions must be considered.

The report recommends the appointment of a Promotion and Marketing Manager to cover both ASF and NSL requirements, a Financial Controller and a National Youth Development Officer.

It is believed that the ASF could receive Federal Government support to put these positions in place, despite the Federation's still fragile financial position.

No doubt the raising of funds through the player levy, with the

Welch cancels out Porter

THIS clash between two highly rated sides at Melita Stadium produced a good game with the home side perhaps unlucky not to achieve better than a 1-1 draw.

BHP Austral got on

the scoresheet in the 15th minute thanks to Brett Porter who headed home from close range, having received a good cross from the left by Pol Krstevski.

Ralph Maier and Krstevski had combined well in the lead up work and it was a goal which signalled

Newcastle's intentions to attack with some gusto.

Avala had a chance to grab an early lead themselves when Robbie Ironside under-hit a back pass and Craig Carter had to come racing out to head the ball clear.

Miletic and Porter both went wide with other shots for the visitors and Bobby Naumov in the 42nd had a speculative effort miss narrowly.

Gonzales and Barrios combined well throughout on a ground they would both know intimately and from a free kick by Gonzales Avala was unlucky not to score from a Barrios header.

Miladin Kuc was unable to make any impression, with the coalfields duo Howard Tredinnick and Mike Boogaard able to keep a tight rein on the Yugoslav scoring sensation.

It was left to Paul Welch to bring the sides level with an angled drive in the 59th minute. The former Blacktown City wingman was in top form and his shot went in off the post to keep Avala in the hunt for season's honours.

AVALA: Rodic, Meade, Glezekamp, Gonzales, Barrios, Fitzharris, McKie, Nasovski (D. Scott 55), Benitez, Kuc, Welch.

BHP AUSTRAL: Carter, Jones, Maier, Boogaard, Tredinnick, Krstevski (Devon 30), Naumov (Bailey 76), Ironside, Phillips, Miletic, Porter. REFEREE: Gary Power.

NSW Composite Tables

1ST GRADE

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Canberra	7	5	2	0	19	7	12
Sutherland Shire	7	4	3	0	17	6	11
Wollongong Mac	7	4	3	0	19	11	11
St George	7	4	2	1	18	10	11
Avala	7	4	2	1	19	12	10
Rockdale Ilinden	8	4	2	2	12	7	10
Sydney Macedonia	7	4	2	1	10	7	10
Sydney Croatia	7	4	1	2	16	10	9
BHP Austral	7	3	2	2	8	5	8
Polonia	7	2	3	2	7	7	7
Warringah	7	3	1	3	9	10	7
Canterbury	8	3	1	4	11	17	7
Blacktown City	7	2	0	5	12	14	4
Sydney Olympic	7	2	0	5	10	15	4
North Shore Utd	7	1	1	5	5	18	3
Wollongong City	7	1	0	6	6	17	2
Inter Monaro	7	1	0	6	6	18	2
Marconi	7	0	1	6	2	15	1

UNDER 19

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Avala	7	5	1	1	15	8	11
Wollongong Mac	7	5	1	1	12	9	11
Canberra	7	4	2	1	16	7	10
Warringah	7	5	0	2	14	11	10
Blacktown City	7	5	0	2	10	7	10
Wollongong City	7	5	0	2	9	6	10
Sydney Macedonia	7	4	1	2	10	5	9
Sydney Croatia	6	3	1	2	10	6	7
Inter Monaro	7	2	3	2	10	8	7
North Shore Utd	6	3	1	2	9	7	7
Polonia	7	3	1	3	9	7	7
Sutherland Shire	7	1	3	3	10	9	5
BHP Austral	6	1	3	2	11	11	5
St George	7	0	5	2	6	12	5
Canterbury	8	1	1	6	6	17	3
Rockdale Ilinden	6	1	0	5	7	13	2
Sydney Olympic	6	1	0	5	9	17	2
Marconi	7	0	1	6	8	21	1

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SATURDAY JULY 14

STATE LEAGUE CONFERENCE A

BHP Austral v Warringah Austral Park

CONFERENCE B

North Shore Utd v Sutherland Shire Seymour Shaw
St George v Blacktown City St George Stadium

SUNDAY JULY 15

STATE LEAGUE CONFERENCE A

Sydney Olympic v Wollongong City St George Stadium
Canberra Croatia v Marconi Deakin Oval
Sydney Macedonia v Avala Jensen Oval
Rockdale Ilinden — bye.

STATE LEAGUE CONFERENCE B

Sydney Croatia v Inter Monaro Croatian Sports
Wollongong Macedonia v Polonia Brandon Park
Canterbury — bye

DIVISION 2

Manly Warringah v Central Coast Cromer Park
Mt Druitt Town v Campbelltown Vik. Popondetta Park
Granville Chile v Dulwich Hill Garside Park
Gladesville H'by v Fairfield City Christie Park
Orange Waratahs v Auburn Yugal Waratah Sports Gd
Petersham v Southern Dists Erskineville Oval
Rosebery v Waverley E S Marks Field

LEAGUE 3

Port Hacking v Mt Pritchard Seymour Shaw
Hills United v Concordia Fred Caterson
Cyprus United v Canterbury & Dist Fraser Park
Lemnos Allstars v Bathurst '75 Camperdown Oval
Nth Ryde RSL v West Wanderers Magdala Park
Uni of NSW v Bankstown Little Bay Oval

All games kick-off 3pm with U19 at 1pm, with BHP Austral 2.30pm and 12.30pm, unless otherwise stated.

See State League action this week!

South Dists set for Dulwich Hill decider

COMPETITION leaders Southern Districts did their chances no harm at all when they decimated the luckless Orange Waratah 7-2 at Ernie Smith Reserve on Saturday.

They have a chance to put some space between themselves and nearest rivals Dulwich Hill when the two sides meet at the same ground tonight.

It is sure to be a bitterly cold night, but the team did plenty to cheer the 167 brave souls who watched the Saturday game.

Leo Ulloa opened the Districts' account in the 15th minute, tapping in the rebound from the Orange goalie's save of a Hugo Gimenez shot and followed up with a second ten minutes later.

Orange pulled one back when Paul Waite converted from the spot after a foul by Robert Younan in the 30th, but ten minutes later Oskar Selik increased the lead and John Gregson made it 4-1 with an excellent long range effort.

Selik rounded off a move which saw eight passes strung together in the 50th and Birol Sertbas was called upon to make it 6-1 from the spot kick in the 60th.

Former regular goalkeeper Glen Hooper got a second for Orange in the 80th, his fourth of the season, before substitute Radovan Filipovic completed the scoring in the 85th.

Orange had their 'keeper to thank for reducing the arrears to only seven against a side which was bent on attacking all day.

The fall from grace of the Rosebery side has co-incided with the rise from a merely solid base by Portuguese rivals Petersham Lusitanos.

The two sides met on Sunday and while it is clear that the sharpness in front of goal by new signing Victor Sergio has made a big impact for Petersham it did not help them at the Athletic Field.

Petersham had accounted for Waverley 2-1 on Wednesday night, with Sergio scoring the second after missing two other good chances.

A very much younger Rosebery side may have turned the corner and are keen to tackle both Fairfield and Waverley this weekend now that there are signs of a big improvement in their fortunes.

Estavillo subs

Fairfield welcomed coach Vince Estavillo into the side via the substitutes bench against Waverley at Knight Park and it was his promptings which could have sealed a late victory, but for saves by Perry Stanbrook.

The 1-1 draw was a fair result, with Waverley on top early and going to the lead with a Jimmy Berry goal and Fairfield equalizing in first half stoppage time through Remy Galloway whose header from a Sebastian Jacobson cross was well taken.

Estavillo won a free kick late, but Stanbrook did well to save Ciaramella's 81st minute shot.

Gladesville put on one their best performances, but could not prevent Dulwich Hill winning 2-0 at Arlington.

Zaja Jabrael set up both goals, the first for George Johnson in the 20th and the second for Steve Karavatakis in the 40th.

A Justin Young free kick which ended with a shot into the top corner brought no joy for the 'Mitre 10 Bears' when disallowed for offside.

Central Coast enjoyed a good share of the game against Granville Chile, but despite saving their best for the closing stages, lost out to a typical piece of Andy Ferris finishing, the big man shaking off his marker for the first time all day and netting with style from 18 metres.

Auburn Yugal and Mount Druitt played out a 0-0 draw at Mona

BY PAUL GOODWIN

Park with Yugal in good touch, but unable to combat the commitment of the visitors who hit the post and had 'keeper Pinto between them and a likely win as the contest swung from end to end.

Manly-Warringah upset Campbelltown at Bensley Road, getting their 2-0 win courtesy of the penalty spot. Bobby Georghegan steered the first in after 13 minutes when Steve Wassell was upended in the box and Peter Falconer the second after Colin Woodward came down heavily in the same area.

RESULTS
Petersham Lusitanos 2 (D).



BHP's Naumov on Saturday

Stephenson, Sergio) Waverley 1 (Walker pen), Southern Districts 7 (Ulloa 2, Selik 2, Gregson, Filipovic, Sertbas pen) Orange Waratah 2 (Waite pen, G. Hooper), Central Coast 0 Granville-Chile 1 (Ferris), Campbelltown 0 Manly-Warringah 2 (Geoghegan pen, Falconer pen), Rosebery-Portugal 2 (Pantazis, Harriott) Petersham Lusitanos 0, Fairfield City 1 (Galloway) Waverley 1 (Berry), Auburn Yugal 0 Mount Druitt 0, Dulwich Hill Madeira 2 (Johnson, Karavatakis) Gladesville-Hornsby 0.



Tense State League action between Avala and Newcastle's BHP Austral at Melita Stadium on Sunday. Pic: STEPHEN GOSCH/AVENEWS.



Marshall Soper

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Wednesday July 11
Division 2: Southern Districts v Dulwich Hill, E. Smith Res 6.30pm, 8.15pm.

Saturday July 14
Division 2: Fairfield City v Rosebery, Knight Park.

Tuesday July 17
Division 3: Cyprus Utd v Uni of NSW, Little Bay Oval, 6.15pm, 8.15pm.

Wednesday July 18
Division 3: Hills Utd v West Wanderers, Fred Caterson, 6.30pm, 8.15pm.

SUTHERLAND
We apologise for the limited report of Sutherland's 7-1 win over Canterbury last week, due to the misplacing of the match report.

NEW SOUTH WALES

STATE LEAGUE 2 GR 1

Southern Dist.	17	12	3	2	42	17	27
Dulwich Hill	17	11	4	2	34	11	25
Petersham	19	7	8	4	20	18	22
Fairfield City	17	6	9	2	23	17	21
Camp'town Vik.	19	7	6	3	30	28	20
Central Coast	18	8	3	7	22	22	19
Granville Chile	19	7	4	6	24	28	18
Waverley	18	6	5	7	25	24	17
Mt Druitt Town	19	5	7	7	16	20	17
Manly W'gah	18	6	4	6	24	23	16
Auburn Yugal	19	5	6	8	19	23	16
Rosebery	16	6	3	7	26	29	15
Gl'ville H'by	18	3	9	6	21	28	15
Orange War	18	0	3	15	13	51	3

STATE LEAGUE 2 GR 2

Southern Dist.	17	16	1	0	44	10	33
Granville Chile	19	13	2	4	39	23	28
Camp'town Vik.	19	11	3	5	34	19	25
Rosebery	16	11	2	3	45	18	24
Dulwich Hill	17	11	2	4	38	16	24
Gl'ville H'by	18	8	3	7	42	32	19
Manly W'gah	18	7	4	7	44	36	18
Central Coast	16	8	2	8	41	43	18
Mt Druitt Town	19	5	3	11	32	40	13
Fairfield City	17	6	1	10	20	31	13
Waverley	19	5	10	23	36	13	
Petersham	19	3	4	12	18	44	10
Auburn Yugal	19	3	3	13	24	58	9
Orange W'gah	18	1	3	14	11	48	5

STATE LEAGUE 3 GR 1

Mt Pritchard	11	8	2	1	24	6	18
Cyprus United	12	8	1	3	28	13	17
Port Hacking	10	8	0	2	23	12	16
Hills United	14	6	4	4	24	15	16
Lemnos Allstars	13	6	3	4	18	14	15
Bankstown	12	4	5	2	22	12	14
North Ryde RSL	14	5	3	6	24	13	
West Wanderers	14	5	2	7	21	23	12
Bathurst 75	11	5	0	6	14	13	10
Uni of NSW	13	3	2	8	13	31	6
Concordia	13	2	5	6	6	24	7
C'bury & Dist	13	2	0	11	7	38	4

STATE LEAGUE 3 GR 2

Mt Pritchard	11	8	2	1	34	11	18
Lemnos Allstars	13	8	2	3	24	10	18
Hills United	14	6	6	2	18	13	18
Cyprus United	12	7	3	2	37	11	17
C'bury & Dist	12	7	3	2	25	10	17
Bankstown	11	8	1	2	23	10	17
Uni of NSW	13	7	2	4	26	16	
Port Hacking	10	3	3	4	9	16	9
West Wanderers	14	2	10	20	34	6	
North Ryde RSL	14	0	6	8	9	23	6
Bathurst 75	11	2	0	9	8	28	4
Concordia	13	0	2	11	4	48	2

FEDERATION LEAGUE 4 GRADE 1

Arnccliffe	15	8	4	3	31	16	20
Trasandinos	14	9	1	4	32	17	19
Colo Colo	14	8	2	4	20	14	18
SSC Zagreb	13	9	1	4	30	19	17
Concord Juniors	13	6	3	4	20	14	15
Spanish Club	15	7	1	7	31	26	15
Belmore Her	12	7	0	5	27	17	14
Hajduk Rangers	13	5	4	4	25	16	14
Hawkesbury Dist	14	4	4	6	11	17	12
Nineveh Eagles	11	4	2	5	12	13	10
Croatia Syd Jnrs	15	1	3	11	10	58	5
Rooty Hill	13	1	1	11	13	35	3

FEDERATION LEAGUE 4 GRADE 2

Trasandinos	15	9	3	3	28	13	21
Hawkesbury Dist	14	6	2	3	30	17	18
SSC Zagreb	13	7	2	4	26	13	18
Concord Juniors	13	7	2	4	24	11	16
Spanish Club	15	7	2	6	31	20	16

STATE LEAGUE ONE

Rockdale v Marconi	2-0	3-0
Warringah v Canberra Croatia	1-1	2-1
Avala v BHP Austral	1-1	2-1
Sydney Macedonia v Wollongong City	3-0	1-0
STATE LEAGUE: ONE CONFERENCE B		
Inter Monaro v Canterbury	1-0	3-1
Sutherland Shire v Sydney Croatia	3-0	1-1
Polonia v North Shore Utd	2-2	0-2
Wollongong Mac v Blacktown City	3-1	1-0
STATE LEAGUE TWO		
Southern Dist v Orange Waratahs	7-2	2-0
Fairfield City v Waverley	1-1	2-1
Campbelltown v Manly Warringah	0-2	2-0
Central Coast v Granville Chile	0-1	1-3
Dulwich Hill v Gladesville	2-0	4-1
Auburn Yugal v Mt Druitt	0-0	1-2
Rosebery v Petersham	2-0	8-0

FEDERATION LEAGUE THREE

Bankstown v Canterbury & Dist	5-0	10-1
Hills United v Mt Pritchard	0-3	0-0
Concordia v Cyprus United	0-4	0-5
Uni of NSW v North Ryde	1-4	2-2
West Wanderers v Lemnos Allstars	1-0	0-2

FEDERATION LEAGUE FOUR

Concord Juniors v SSC Zagreb	3-0	1-0
Belmore Hercules v Rooty Hill Gunner	4-2	1-5
Arnccliffe v Hawkesbury Dis	1-0	2-2
Trasandinos v Spanish Club	2-1	1-1
Colo Colo v Croatia Syd Jnrs	0-0	3-0

FEDERATION LEAGUE FIVE

Ashour Star v Sydney Uni	0-0	0-5
CSI Schofields v Chile Sports	3-1	2-0
GNS United v Macquarie Uni	2-1	0-2
Sydney Uni v Ashour Star	1-3	9-0
Maccabi Hakoah v Prospect United	0-2	2-2
W.D. Hellas v Lithgow Workmen	3-1	1-1
Sporting Peru v Alexander	3-1	0-4

FEDERATION LEAGUE SIX

Assyrian v Balmaln	3-0	1-4
Liverpool Oly v Cobleloa	2-0	4-0
Pagewood v St Josephs	0-0	3-0
Abruzzi v Liverpool Oly	2-3	1-1
Pontian Eagles v Penrith	0-1	1-2
Fogolar Furlan v New Weloome	0-0	3-0

STATE WOMENS LEAGUE: ONE

North Ryde v Mt Druitt	7-0	
Epping Eastwood v Illawarra	1-2	
STATE WOMENS LEAGUE: TWO		
Liverpool Oly v Melita Eagles	3-4	
Epping Eastwood v Gladesville Rns	1-1	

Nineveh Eagles	12	7	2	3	22	15	18
Colo Colo	14	7	1	6	27	22	15
Hajduk Rangers	13	7	1	5	26	29	15
Rooty Hill	13	6	1	6	26	22	13
Arnccliffe	14	4	4	6	15	21	12
Belmore Her	14	1	1	12	18	49	3
Croatia Syd Jnrs	14	1	1	12	10	51	3

FEDERATION LEAGUE 5 GRADE 1

West Dist	14	11	2	1	48	17	24
Macquarie Uni	14	9	2	3	34	21	20
Sporting Peru	13	9	0	4	31	23	18
Prospect Utd	12	8	0	4	25	15	16
Ashour Star	14	6	4	29	29	16	
Alexander	13	6	3	31	25	15	
Lithgow	14	6	2	24	23	14	
CSI Schofields	13	5	0	8	28	33	10
Sydney Uni	14	4	1	9	22	36	9
Chile Sports	14	4	1	9	15	33	9
GNS United	14	3	1	10	15	29	7
Maccabi	13	2	0	11	14	38	4

FEDERATION LEAGUE 5 GRADE 2

Sydney Uni	13	10	3	0	56	6	20
West Dist	14	10	1	3	35	16	21
Alexander	13	8	4	1	42	19	20
Macquarie Uni	13	8	1	4	30	15	17
Prospect Utd	12	4	6	2	25	15	14
Sporting Peru	13	5	3	5	21	25	13
Lithgow	14	5	3	6	19	26	13
CSI Schofields	13	4	2	7	20	25	10
Chile Sports	14	4	1	9	17	37	8
Ashour Star	15	4	0	11	19	58	8
GNS United	14	3	1	10	16	44	7
Maccabi Hak	12	1	3	8	10	22	5

FEDERATION LEAGUE 6 GRADE 1

Pagewood Bot	14	9	2	3	32	16	20
Assyrian	14	7	4	3	21	15	18
Penrith	12	7	3	2	21	13	17
Liverpool City	14	6	3	5	23	21	15
Fogolar Furlan	13	5	4	2	22	15	14
New Weloome S	13	5	4	1	19	15	14
St Josephs	14	5	4	5	32	30	14
Balmaln	12	6	1	5	30	21	13
Abruzzi	14	4	5	5	21	23	13
Pontian Eagles	14	4	2	8	19	26	10
Liverpool Oly	12	4	1	7	17	24	9
Cobleloa	14	0	3	11	11	48	3

FEDERATION LEAGUE 6 GRADE 2

Liverpool City	14	11	2	1	
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SOCCER POOLS



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VIC LEAGUE DIVISION 1	ROCKINGHAM	FREMANTLE B.	17
VIC LEAGUE DIVISION 1	OSBORNE PK	FORRESTFIELD	18
VIC LEAGUE DIVISION 1	MORLEY	FERDALE	19
VIC LEAGUE DIVISION 1	MELVILLE	GOSNELLS	20
VIC LEAGUE DIVISION 1	INGLEWOOD	STIRLING T.P.	21
VIC LEAGUE DIVISION 1	HELLAS	MODBURY	22
VIC LEAGUE DIVISION 1	AZZURI	CUMBERLAND	23
VIC LEAGUE DIVISION 1	POLONIA	LION GRANGE	24
VIC LEAGUE DIVISION 1	PT. ADELAIDE	CROATIA	25
VIC LEAGUE DIVISION 1	SALISBURY	ADELAIDE C.	26
VIC LEAGUE DIVISION 1	W.T. BIRKALLA	WOODVILLE	27
VIC LEAGUE DIVISION 1	BLACKWOOD	ENFIELD C.	28
VIC LEAGUE DIVISION 1	ELIZABETH	CAMPBELLTOWN	29
VIC LEAGUE DIVISION 1	OMONIA	OLYMPIANS	30
VIC LEAGUE DIVISION 1	PARA HILLS	NOARLUNGA	31
VIC LEAGUE DIVISION 1	SEAFORD	CENTRAL DIST.	32
VIC LEAGUE DIVISION 1	DARRA UTD.	ANNELEY	33
VIC LEAGUE DIVISION 1	LUTWYCHE UTD.	SOUTHS UTD.	34
VIC LEAGUE DIVISION 1	OXLEY UTD.	LATROBE VAL.	35
VIC LEAGUE DIVISION 1	CAPALABA	LEIGHARDT	36
VIC LEAGUE DIVISION 1	KENMORE R.	GRIFFITH U.	37
VIC LEAGUE DIVISION 1	PINE HILLS	TOOWONG	38
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VIC LEAGUE DIVISION 1	SOUTHSIDE	WESTERN SUBS.	39
VIC LEAGUE DIVISION 1	HEIDELBERG C.	BENTLEIGH	40
VIC LEAGUE DIVISION 1	ELTHAM UTD.	HOLLAND PK.	41
VIC LEAGUE DIVISION 1	MORNINGTON	CLAYTON	42
VIC LEAGUE DIVISION 1	CLARINDA	LALOR UTD.	43
VIC LEAGUE DIVISION 1	SEAFORD UTD.	ALTONA CITY	44
VIC LEAGUE DIVISION 1	SPRINGVALE U.	MOORABBIN	45
VIC LEAGUE DIVISION 1	CORIO UTD.	YARRAVILLE	46
VIC LEAGUE DIVISION 1	HAMLYN R.	EAST BRUNS. U.	47
VIC LEAGUE DIVISION 1	BORONIA	HAWTHORN	48
VIC LEAGUE DIVISION 1	REGENT	KARINGAL	49
VIC LEAGUE DIVISION 1	YALLOURN	PASCOE VALE	50
VIC LEAGUE DIVISION 1	MORELAND PK.	SPRING CONO.	51
VIC LEAGUE DIVISION 1	OAKLEIGH SUBS.	FERNTREE	52
VIC LEAGUE DIVISION 1	LANGWARRIN	ROSANNA	53
VIC LEAGUE DIVISION 1	ASHFIELD	WHITFORD C.	54
VIC LEAGUE DIVISION 1	ARMADALE PK.	QUEENS PK.	55
VIC LEAGUE DIVISION 1	GERALDTON	UNIVERSITY	56
VIC LEAGUE DIVISION 1	WEST YUGAL	SUBIACO	57
VIC LEAGUE DIVISION 1	DIANELLA	SWAN I.C.	58
VIC LEAGUE DIVISION 1	NORTH LAKE	VASTO UTD.	59
VIC LEAGUE DIVISION 1	PERTH CITY	BOORAGOON	60
VIC LEAGUE DIVISION 1	RAPID	UNIVERSITY	61
VIC LEAGUE DIVISION 1	PHOENIX	CALIES	62
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MATCH RESULTS

WEEK 258
SAT. 7th JULY, 1990

VIC STATE LEAGUE DIV. 1	ALTONA GATE	FAWKNER	1	1-1
VIC STATE LEAGUE DIV. 1	MOOROOLBARK	MELB. CITY	2	void
VIC STATE LEAGUE DIV. 1	NORTHCOLE C.	MORWELL	3	3-3*
VIC STATE LEAGUE DIV. 1	CAULFIELD CITY	THOMASTOWN	4	0-1
VIC STATE LEAGUE DIV. 1	DOVETON	PT. MELBOURNE	5	3-0
VIC STATE LEAGUE DIV. 1	KNOX CITY	WERRIBEE	6	0-2
VIC STATE LEAGUE DIV. 1	ESSENDON	MARIBYRNONG	7	2-0
VIC STATE LEAGUE DIV. 1	WAVERTLEY	NUNAWADING	8	0-1
VIC STATE LEAGUE DIV. 1	BELL PARK	RINGWOOD U.	9	3-0
VIC STATE LEAGUE DIV. 1	COBURG	RICHMOND	10	2-0
VIC STATE LEAGUE DIV. 1	CLIFTON HILL	CHELSEA	11	1-1*
VIC STATE LEAGUE DIV. 1	SUNBURY UTD.	KEILOR	12	0-2
VIC STATE LEAGUE DIV. 1	BRIGHTON	DANDENONG	13	5-2
VIC STATE LEAGUE DIV. 1	DONCASTER	GEELONG	14	2-1
VIC STATE LEAGUE DIV. 1	BAYSWATER	STIRLING MAC.	15	0-4
VIC STATE LEAGUE DIV. 1	KELMSCOTT	PERTH ITALIA	16	0-4
VIC STATE LEAGUE DIV. 1	KINGSWAY	NORTH PERTH	17	0-2
VIC STATE LEAGUE DIV. 1	BALGA	FREMANTLE B.	18	0-2
VIC STATE LEAGUE DIV. 1	SWAN CRAC	WANNEROD	19	1-3
VIC STATE LEAGUE DIV. 1	FORRESTFIELD	STIRLING T.P.	20	1-0
VIC STATE LEAGUE DIV. 1	OSBORNE PK.	ROCKINGHAM	21	0-3
VIC STATE LEAGUE DIV. 1	MELVILLE	MORLEY	22	2-1
VIC STATE LEAGUE DIV. 1	COCKBURN	FERDALE	23	0-4
VIC STATE LEAGUE DIV. 1	GOSNELLS	BASSEDEAN	24	0-1
VIC STATE LEAGUE DIV. 1	ADELAIDE C.	POLONIA	25	1-0
VIC STATE LEAGUE DIV. 1	CUMBERLAND	WOODVILLE	27	1-2
VIC STATE LEAGUE DIV. 1	AZZURRI	PT. ADELAIDE	28	1-0
VIC STATE LEAGUE DIV. 1	MODBURY	W.T. BIRKALLA	29	2-2*
VIC STATE LEAGUE DIV. 1	LION GRANGE	HELLAS	30	1-1*
VIC STATE LEAGUE DIV. 1	CAMPBELLTOWN	BLACKWOOD	31	0-1
VIC STATE LEAGUE DIV. 1	CENTRAL DIST.	PARA HILLS	32	2-2*
VIC STATE LEAGUE DIV. 1	ENFIELD C.	SEAFORD	33	1-1*
VIC STATE LEAGUE DIV. 1	NOARLUNGA	OLYMPIANS	34	void
VIC STATE LEAGUE DIV. 1	OMONIA	ELIZABETH	35	0-2
VIC STATE LEAGUE DIV. 1	UNIVERSITY	KINGSRIDGE	36	2-2
VIC STATE LEAGUE DIV. 1	ANNELEY	SLACKS CREEK	37	0-0
VIC STATE LEAGUE DIV. 1	SOUTHS UTD.	DARRA UTD.	38	0-1



THE POOLS RESULTS HISTORY AT 7/7/90 — WEEK 258

NO. OF TIMES EACH NUMBER OCCURRED	NO. OF WEEKS SINCE EACH NUMBER OCCURRED
27 33 40 17 31 47 35 47	2 2 0 1 1 6 18 5
48 58 52 52 46 50 51 46	8 3 0 7 9 2 9 4
51 47 37 53 46 53 54 48	1 8 1 5 21 3 2 13
49 55 53 62 58 74 56 53	3 15 11 13 0 0 1 0
52 67 58 67 55 54	0 8 4 0 1 2

Results History is from Week 38, the start of Six from 38 Pools

RESULTS OF WEEK 258 SAT 7 JULY, 1990

Total Prize Pool is \$674,844.67
Winning Match Numbers (in numerical order): 3, 29, 30, 32, 33, 36.
Supplementary Number: 11

Division 1
The Prize Pool is \$589,783.82
No winners. Jackpot Week
259 (est. \$750,000 next week)

Division 2
The Prize Pool is \$4,860.30
3 provisional winners of \$1,620.10ea

Division 3
The Prize Pool is \$14,580.00
81 winners of \$180.00ea

Division 4
The Prize Pool is \$36,405.45
2,727 winners of \$13.35ea

Division 5
The Prize Pool is \$29,215.10
2,966 winners of \$9.85ea

VICTORIA

VIC STATE RESERVES
Altona Gate 25 17 5 3 83 18 39
Morwell 25 16 6 3 52 26 36
S. Wick Juventus 25 16 5 4 76 22 37
H. Berg Utd. 25 16 5 4 47 15 37
Fawkner 24 14 2 8 63 33 30
St Albans 24 14 2 8 28 23 30
Thomastown 24 11 6 7 43 30 28
N. Cole City 24 13 2 9 50 41 28
Croydon City 24 11 3 10 45 37 25
Bulleen 25 8 9 6 41 38 25
R. Wood City 25 11 3 11 39 42 25
Castfield 25 12 9 13 40 40 24
Green Gully 25 7 6 12 36 50 28
Box Hill 25 6 4 15 27 44 16
F. St. Pines 24 3 5 16 36 71 11
M. Bour City 23 4 3 16 25 85 11
Mooroobark 23 1 6 16 10 55 8
Albion 25 2 4 19 16 71 8

VIC DIV ONE FIRSTS
Westgate 15 10 2 3 35 15 22
Dorville 15 10 2 3 24 10 22
Springvale City 15 9 4 2 23 15 22
Oakleigh 15 9 2 4 27 17 28
Knox City 15 8 4 3 23 19 28
Port Melbourne 15 7 2 18 16 19
Wentworth 15 5 3 7 14 16 13
Essendon City 15 4 5 6 16 22 13
Moorabool 15 5 3 7 19 14 13
Western Suburbs 15 3 6 8 16 20 12
Rth. Geelong 15 4 3 8 22 26 11
North Polonia 15 2 7 6 20 27 11
Beaumaris 15 3 3 9 11 21 9
Sandringham 15 1 1 13 8 32 3

VIC DIV TWO FIRSTS
Brighton 15 10 1 4 29 21 24
Geelong 14 6 0 0 10 9 29

Keilor 14 9 1 4 25 14 19	Polonia 18 7 10 1 32 15 24
Doncaster 15 6 5 4 24 20 17	E.D. Azzurri 18 8 5 6 25 17 21
Clifton Hill 15 6 5 4 15 13 17	Salisbury 18 8 4 6 25 23 20
Cheltenham 15 6 3 5 25 25 15	Beograd 18 6 7 5 21 20 19
Dandenong 15 6 3 5 24 25 15	W.T. Birkalla 18 7 4 7 29 24 18
Waverley City 15 5 4 6 21 17 14	Modbury 18 6 6 6 27 31 16
Geelong 15 6 2 7 20 20 14	U.S.C. Lion 18 5 6 7 20 23 16
Nunawading City 15 4 6 5 21 24 14	Adelaide City 18 3 9 6 15 19 15
Sunbury United 15 5 2 8 24 25 12	C'land Utd 18 3 2 13 12 29 8
Caburg 13 4 2 7 14 23 10	Port Adelaide 18 1 0 17 9 48 2
Richmond 15 3 4 9 8 17 10	
Ringwood Utd 15 2 4 9 15 33 6	

TASMANIA

as at 2.7.90

CADBURY

P W D L F A Pts
Hobart Juv 13 9 3 1 36 15 30
Uverstone 13 9 0 4 25 17 27
White Eagles 12 8 2 2 39 12 26
Launceston Juv 13 7 4 2 26 10 25
Devonport City 14 6 5 3 27 22 23
Olympia-SBT 13 6 5 2 27 15 20
Burnie Utd 13 2 1 10 15 40 7
Caledonian 13 2 0 11 11 29 6
Crofta Glen 14 0 8 11 10 46 3

NORTHERN

P W D L F A Pts
Olympic 14 13 1 0 88 13 40
Launceston 14 10 2 2 71 21 32
Western Sub 14 9 4 1 51 16 31
White Eagles 14 9 2 3 34 15 29
Georgetown 14 7 3 4 26 27 24
Crofta 14 5 2 7 27 39 17
Burnie 14 5 1 8 28 39 16
Devonport 14 4 3 7 31 32 15
Juventus 14 4 1 9 19 56 13
Uverstone 14 3 2 9 20 43 11
St Leonards 14 3 1 10 22 74 10
Somersel 14 0 2 12 14 87 2

DIVISION ONE

P W D L F A Pts
University 11 9 0 2 29 13 27
Metro 11 8 1 2 24 17 25
Tarona 11 7 2 2 34 16 23
Hobart City 12 7 2 3 25 17 23
Hobart Juv 11 6 2 3 31 18 20
Howrah Utd 11 6 0 5 29 23 18
White Eagles 11 3 5 3 21 25 14
Kingborough S.C. 11 4 1 6 21 21 13
South Hobart 11 4 0 7 20 21 12
Caledonian 11 3 1 7 14 27 10
Rapid S.C. 11 3 1 7 17 31 10
Olympia-SBT 11 1 3 7 19 31 6
Phoenix 11 1 2 8 16 40 5

SOUTH AUST.

as at 30.6.90

DIVISION 1

P W D L F A Pts
Hellas 18 13 22 3 37 15 28
Crofta 18 11 5 2 33 20 27

DIVISION 2

P W D L F A Pts
Campbelltown 13 6 2 3 15 9 18
Para Hills 13 7 3 3 16 7 17
Enfield 13 7 3 3 20 12 17
Blackwood 13 6 3 4 16 8 15
Omonia 13 5 4 4 7 6 14
Olympians 13 5 3 5 14 12 13
C.D. Apac 13 4 5 4 11 9 13
Elizabeth 13 2 5 6 7 20 9
Noarlunga 13 2 8 7 15 8
Seaford 13 1 4 8 6 21 6

QUEENSLAND

DIVISION 3

P W D L F A Pts
Annerley 14 9 3 2 32 13 30
Souths Utd 14 7 4 3 25 15 25
Darra Utd 14 6 4 4 31 25 22
Stacks Ck 13 6 3 4 25 13 21
L/Vally 13 6 3 4 22 19 21
Lutwyche 14 6 3 5 21 25 21
Kingsridge 13 6 2 5 27 20 20
Beenleigh 12 5 3 4 18 20 18
Redcliffe 13 5 3 5 14 18 18
Brothers 11 4 0 7 8 24 12
Uni of Old 14 1 4 9 13 26 7
Oxley 13 1 2 10 12 28 5

DIVISION 4

P W D L F A Pts
Albany Ck 14 10 3 1 34 12 33
Capalaba 13 7 3 3 35 17 24
Griffith Utd 13 7 2 4 23 17 23
Southside Eag 12 6 3 3 16 14 21
Pine Hills 13 4 6 1 21 13 20
Deception Bay 14 4 4 6 26 28 20
Kenmore Rm 13 3 7 3 22 23 16
Samford Range 14 4 4 6 20 22 16
Toowong 13 3 5 5 20 30 14
South Star 13 3 3 7 12 23 12
Western Subs 13 2 3 8 25 36 9
Leighardt 13 1 3 9 10 27 6

* Winning match numbers and supplementary number.

RESULTS AND DIVIDEND HOTLINES

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Bobby Russell joins Mooroolbark

BY DAVID BULLOCK

BOBBY Russell has been out of the Victorian soccer scene for just on a year, but he is now determined to get back into the full swing again with struggling Mooroolbark.

After a distinguished career in the National Soccer League with Adelaide City, South Melbourne Hellas and Heidelberg United that spanned just on 250 appearances, Russell has recently returned from a long, but very enjoyable holiday in sun-soaked, Rio de Janeiro.

He was approached by several clubs upon his return, but Mooroolbark caught his eye with their overall attitude.



BOBBY RUSSELL

"I want to put something back into the game and I'm very impressed with the club's set-up and with Tom Bailey and his committee.

"People have had only good things to say about the club, the

here to help Mooroolbark to avoid relegation only real negative aspect has been the amount of injuries to players.

"Coach Graham French encouraged me by the way he speaks to the team, plus I'm

tion, which I believe we can do," says Russell.

When the topic of South Melbourne was brought up, Russell paused for a moment to collect his thoughts.

He still harbours bitterness towards the club and was quite willing to express his feelings.

"I was there seven years and captain for the better part of three years, but because the club had a stigma attached to sacking coaches, sacking the captain was the next best thing.

"I think it just goes to show how much people know about the game."

Russell was also disappointed about his character being put to the test by the club and explained why.

"There were some things said about me that I was extremely unhappy about, like being accused of stirring up trouble, this could not be further from the truth.

"Emotionally, it was a bad discussion on South's part, because my wife had only died a month prior to my sacking.

"They fired me to justify the team's performances, I was the oldest player (33) in and I wasn't doing any worse a job than anyone else. My commitment has always been 100%."

Russell may have his grievances with Hellas, but he is full of praise for the loyal Greek supporters he encountered at both Hellas and Heidelberg.

Bobby Russell has a message that will delight Mooroolbark and soccer fans in general.

"It's great to be back, it's magic."



Fausto Di Amicis (Brunswick Juventus) gets the football through his Thomastown opponent. Pic: JOE MONTEMURRO.



Brian McNicol has things under control in Brunswick Juventus' game against Thomastown at Middle Park. Action shot by JOE MONTE-MURRO.

1st. Division	15	4	3	8	22	26	11
2nd. Division	15	2	7	6	20	27	11
3rd. Division	15	3	3	9	11	21	9
4th. Division	15	1	1	13	9	32	3

VIC DIV ONE RESERVES	15	11	4	8	37	11	85
Port Melbourne	15	9	4	2	33	13	22
Geelong	15	9	4	2	32	13	22
1st. Division	15	9	4	2	36	22	30

VIC DIV FOUR RESERVES	15	11	4	8	37	11	85
Springvale City	15	6	3	2	22	15	15
Marib. Polonia	15	6	3	2	23	15	15
Brookmans	15	6	3	2	23	15	15

VIC DIV FIVE RESERVES	15	11	4	8	37	11	85
Western Suburbs	15	3	3	9	27	32	8
Sandringham	15	3	3	9	27	32	8
Westgate	15	3	3	9	27	32	8

VIC DIV TWO FIRSTS	15	10	1	4	29	21	24
Brighton	15	10	1	4	29	21	24
Ball Park	15	10	1	4	29	21	24
Malvern	15	10	1	4	29	21	24

VIC DIV ONE FIRSTS	15	10	1	4	29	21	24
3rd. Division	15	10	1	4	29	21	24
4th. Division	15	10	1	4	29	21	24
5th. Division	15	10	1	4	29	21	24

VIC DIV THREE FIRSTS	15	10	1	4	29	21	24
Clifton Hill	15	10	1	4	29	21	24
Cheltenham	15	10	1	4	29	21	24
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VIC DIV TWO RESERVES	15	10	1	4	29	21	24
Clifton Hill	15	10	1	4	29	21	24
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Clifton Hill	15	10	1	4	29	21	24
Cheltenham	15	10	1	4	29	21	24
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VIC DIV FOUR FIRSTS	15	10	1	4	29	21	24
Clifton Hill	15	10	1	4	29	21	24
Cheltenham	15	10	1	4	29	21	24
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VIC DIV FIVE FIRSTS	15	10	1	4	29	21	24
Clifton Hill	15	10	1	4	29	21	24
Cheltenham	15	10	1	4	29	21	24
Cheltenham	15	10	1	4	29	21	24

VIC DIV SIX FIRSTS	15	10	1	4	29	21	24
Clifton Hill	15	10	1	4	29	21	24
Cheltenham	15	10	1	4	29	21	24
Cheltenham	15	10	1	4	29	21	24

VIC DIV ONE RESERVES	15	11	4	8	37	11	85
Port Melbourne	15	9	4	2	33	13	22
Geelong	15	9	4	2	32	13	22
1st. Division	15	9	4	2	36	22	30

VIC DIV FOUR RESERVES	15	11	4	8	37	11	85
Springvale City	15	6	3	2	22	15	15
Marib. Polonia	15	6	3	2	23	15	15
Brookmans	15	6	3	2	23	15	15

VIC DIV FIVE RESERVES	15	11	4	8	37	11	85
Western Suburbs	15	3	3	9	27	32	8
Sandringham	15	3	3	9	27	32	8
Westgate	15	3	3	9	27	32	8

VIC DIV TWO FIRSTS	15	10	1	4	29	21	24
Brighton	15	10	1	4	29	21	24
Ball Park	15	10	1	4	29	21	24
Malvern	15	10	1	4	29	21	24

VIC DIV ONE FIRSTS	15	10	1	4	29	21	24
3rd. Division	15	10	1	4	29	21	24
4th. Division	15	10	1	4	29	21	24
5th. Division	15	10	1	4	29	21	24

VIC DIV THREE FIRSTS	15	10	1	4	29	21	24
Clifton Hill	15	10	1	4	29	21	24
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VIC DIV TWO RESERVES	15	10	1	4	29	21	24
Clifton Hill	15	10	1	4	29	21	24
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VIC DIV THREE RESERVES	15	10	1	4	29	21	24
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VIC DIV FOUR FIRSTS	15	10	1	4	29	21	24
Clifton Hill	15	10	1	4	29	21	24
Cheltenham	15	10	1	4	29	21	24
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VIC DIV FIVE FIRSTS	15	10	1	4	29	21	24
Clifton Hill	15	10	1	4	29	21	24
Cheltenham	15	10	1	4	29	21	24
Cheltenham	15	10	1	4	29	21	24

VIC PROV THREE FIRSTS	17	12	1	4	43	14	25
Wentworth	17	12	1	4	43	14	25
Wentworth	17	12	1	4	43	14	25
Wentworth	17	12	1	4	43	14	25

VIC PROV ONE FIRSTS	17	12	1	4	43	14	25
Wentworth	17	12	1	4	43	14	25
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VIC PROV TWO FIRSTS	17	12	1	4	43	14	25
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VIC PROV TWO RESERVES	17	12	1	4	43	14	25
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RECORDED RESULTS SERVICE

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WORLD CUP FINALS RESULTS AND FIXTURES

(Updated by 8.00am each morning)

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STATE LEAGUE, VICTORIAN LEAGUE DIVISION ONE AND AMATEUR LEAGUE DIVISIONS ONE AND TWO.

• 1STS AND RESERVES SCORES

• GOALSCORERS — STATE AND VIC 1 MATCHES

(Updated each Saturday and Sunday evenings)

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VICTORIAN LEAGUE DIVISIONS 2, 3 AND 4 PROVISIONAL LEAGUE DIVISIONS 1, 2 AND 3

• 1STS AND RESERVES

(Updated each Saturday evening)

VIC SENIORS

VIC STATE RESERVES

Altona Gate	25	17	5	3	63	18	38
Marvell	25	16	8	3	52	26	30
S. Wick Juventus	25	16	5	4	76	22	37
H.Berg Utd.	25	16	5	4	47	15	37
Fawkner	24	14	2	8	63	33	30
St Albans	24	14	2	8	25	23	36
Thornhill	24	11	6	7	43	30	28
IL Cole City	24	13	2	9	50	41	29
Croydon City	24	11	3	10	45	37	25
Bolton	25	8	9	8	41	35	25
R. Wood City	25	11	3	11	39	42	25
Caulfield	25	12	0	13	40	40	24
Green Gully	25	7	6	12	36	50	20
Box Hill	25	6	4	15	27	44	16
F. Stan Plains	24	3	16	3	28	71	11
IL Boro City	23	4	3	16	25	85	11
Moorabbin	22	1	6	16	10	55	8
Ashbur	25	2	4	19	18	71	2



Bergers prepare for crunch match versus Croydon

BY GREG BLAKE AND DAVID BULLOCK

NORTHCOTE 3 MORWELL FALCONS 3

Northcote showed signs of getting back on track when it led twice against Morwell Falcons before having to come back and settle for a 3-3 draw on Saturday.

Morwell, the league's score draw experts in 1990, turned on flashes of their 1989 championship winning brilliance, but two goalkeeping errors from young reserve team keeper Alex Eacott probably cost the club two points.

"It was probably just his inexperience," said Morwell boss Bobby McLachlan of Eacott, who had performed with assurance until Saturday's game.

Eacott was ruled to have picked up and rolled the ball twice in succession and thus conceded the indirect free kick which led to George Koureminos' scoring Northcote's first half goal.

Morwell equalised after the break from the penalty spot when Rob Palmarrichiotti was ruled to have handled inside his own area and Steve Cain converted the spotkick.

Jim Iliopoulos made it 2-1 for Northcote when he pounced on a long ball which deflected off unlucky Harry Bingham, but Morwell were rewarded for a series of attacks when Ally Dick produced a moment of magic to level at 2-2.

The mercurial Billy Wright then cut down Northcote's stoic defence with a jinking run past a succession of defenders before finishing off to make it 3-2.

But with six minutes remaining Eacott's woes continued when he misjudged a curling corner and John Angelopoulos was on hand to get the home side back on terms.

"Do you say well done on the fightback or another point lost?" mused McLachlan after the game.

ALTONA GATE 1 FAWKNER 1

Fawkner remained on the shirt-tails of the league leaders when it fought off a tough challenge from improving Altona Gate on Saturday.

Fawkner fought back from an early set-back to take a point in an untidy 1-1 draw.

Altona Gate shot away to a 12th minute lead when Goran Georgievski centred from the

right, Gary McMullen headed down and Vlado Tortevski was on hand to slam the ball home.

But Fawkner, led well by Cosentino and Schipano from the back, settled into its stride and was back on terms just seven minutes later.

A long throw from Roy Walsh found Sammy Emmanuelle who took off a pace before being bought down in the box by Vasco Mitrovski.

Fawkner player-coach Claude Luchessi made no mistake from the spot to make it 1-1.

Both sides promised a winner for periods without delivering the goods with both goalkeepers, Nikitovic for Fawkner and Kociski for Altona, asked to produce at least one match-saving stop each.

Altona Gate coach Lube Jancev admitted being content with a point from the game.

"Fawkner is a good team and they played well," Jancev said after the game.

HEIDELBERG 2 BULLEEN 0

Heidelberg, keen to make amends for a first round loss to the same team, proved too good for an undermanned Bulleen at Olympic Village on Sunday.

The Bergers, whose championship hopes might be made or broken in the crunch match with Croydon at the end of July, struck twice inside 60 seconds to down a Bulleen side which couldn't counter a disciplined opponent.

Heidelberg struck first four minutes from half time when eager opportunist Paul Lewis robbed a hesitant Tony Marsan as he muffed a clearance and went on to put his shot away cleanly.

From the kick-off Heidelberg won a corner which was cleared by Robert Krajacic, but only as far as Stuart Stevenson on the edge of the area.

He seized his chance to score by thumping the ball past Bulleen keeper Mauro Raponi.

Bulleen, already missing two goal hero of the first meeting between the two clubs, Darren Tuck, lost elegant midfielder Anthony Grbac after half time with a back problem and rarely looked a chance to get back into the game.

Tuck is nursing a dislocated elbow.

Mike Branov made a welcome return to the



Stacks on the mill! Congratulations all round after Brunswick Juventus scored in the recent 2-1 win over Thomastown at Middle Park. — Photo: JOE MONTEMURRO.

Bulleen side after injury but he was well held on the day by an uncompromising Heidelberg defence led by Stuart Cannell and Garry McDowall.

The defence was Bulleen's first under recently appointed coach Andy Bozikas, ironically a former NSL star with the Bergers.

CAULFIELD 0 THOMASTOWN 1

Fringe finals contender Thomastown tuned up for its match-up with high-flying Heidelberg next weekend when it downed Caulfield 1-0 on Saturday.

Thomastown struck inside the first eight minutes of play when the club's recently returned golden-haired boy Russell Athersych headed home Don McLaren's cross for the only score of the game.

McLaren, out of action for many months before his recent transfer from NSL club Sunshine George Cross, put in his best performance for his new club against Caulfield.

Thomastown, already stricken by the injury bug, lost Phil Griffin in the 17th minute when he left the field with an ankle injury, struggled for much of the remainder of the game.

Caulfield might have gotten back on terms when referee Barry Grant denied what Caulfield claims was "a clear penalty" when hot-shot striker Con Pappas appeared to have one of his shots handled inside the box.

The home side's best

spell came during the second half when Thomastown was forced to defend grimly, with Taylor saving off his own line, Janakievski pulling off a brilliant save and then Pappas being denied by the woodwork.

Thomastown is hoping to have at least three of its injured back for next weekend's Heidelberg showdown.

Missing on Saturday were player-coach Murphy, O'Donnell, DiMasrino, McAleer and Curcio.

ALBION 2 FRANKSTON 0

Albion returned to the winning list, ending a bad run of form when they defeated Frankston Pines in a very scrappy affair.

Within two minutes of the opening whistle, Albion's Peter Kadilcek put his side ahead, punishing a defensive lapse with a well struck shot past Lee Davies in the Pines goal.

Pines were caught out again right on the half time mark, once again the defence were penalised for their lack of concentration as Kadilcek streaked in unmarked to scored with a diving header.

Lee Davies performed some brilliant feats in the Frankston goal and stopped Albion from increasing the scoreline in the second half.

ST ALBANS 1 GREEN GULLY 2

A horrendous back pass three minutes from full-time cost St Albans a share of the points in a

very dour struggle against a hot and cold Green Gully.

Green Gully opened the scoring 15 minutes into the first half when in-form striker Kevin Harrison brought up his 11th goal of the season with a firmly struck header from a hopeful cross.

St Albans had to wait until the 59th minute to bring the game back on level terms.

Ollie Pondjerak used his elusive speed to beat his marker and then laid off a neat pass for Jules Kres who thumped the ball into the back of the net from 18 yards.

In the 80th minute things went terribly wrong for St Albans.

A poor back pass that travelled 35 yards gave Mate Grgic in the St Albans goal no chance of retrieving, and he looked on despairingly as it went in.

BOX HILL 0 CROYDON 4

Andy Humble proved why he is one of the most dangerous players in the State League when he went on a goalscoring spree against bottom of the table Box Hill.

Humble scored a brilliant hat trick to take his season's tally to 14, as Croydon consolidated top spot on the table.

Humble broke the ice in the ninth minute when a mishit back-pass by Box Hill's Brendan Thomas fell perfectly into his path and he clinically finished the mistake with a crisp left foot shot.

For the remainder of

the first half Box Hill held sway, though their defence was under constant pressure which was not helped by conceding 14 corner kicks.

In the 59th minute, Stuart McArthur laid off a superb pass to Humble, who turned sharply on the ball to rifle it past a hapless Tony Lyras in the Box Hill goal.

Thirteen minutes later, Humble brought up his hat trick when he pounced on a goalkeeper error, punishing the mistake with a tremendous shot.

With ten minutes to go, he was denied by the woodwork as his forceful header had the keeper beaten, only to have it to come off the right upright.

With only seconds remaining, Humble made a superb cross from the right, McArthur was on hand at the near post to easily score with a direct header.

Croydon coach, Ian Dobson, was very satisfied with the result.

"You are always happy when you win 4-0 away from home. I'm delighted to be rolling on with another two points."

BRUNSWICK 0 RINGWOOD 1

Ringwood City defied all the odds, when they caused the upset of the season by defeating title challengers Brunswick Juventus in an enthralling encounter.

Ringwood played inspiring soccer that made their higher fancied opponents sit up and take notice, while goalkeeper Colin Blackley making many brilliant saves, added to his was the impressive debuts of youngsters, Cameron Brown and Lee Dixon.

What made the win even more impressive, was that Ringwood played without the ser-

vices of John Corvan, Paul May and Micky Maguire, who lend so much experience to the side.

The vital goal that sealed the game came one minute before the half time interval.

A defensive error inside the area was punished by bustling Ringwood striker, Duncan Plank, who scrambled the ball over the line past a despairing goalkeeper Peter Laumets and two hapless defenders.

Steve Smith had numerous chances to score for the home team during the match, but admitted afterwards that Blackley is the only goalkeeper in the league that psyched him out.

"He seems to know my every move and I always find him hard to beat", said Smith.

Ringwood coach John Corvan was a delighted man after the game.

"I am very pleased. After last week's bad performance we spent some time during the week sorting out our problems and this paid off today."

"I'm still not happy with our consistency. We have nine matches left to improve on this area."

MOOROOLBARK MELBOURNE JUST

The match was postponed due to poor ground conditions, much to the disappointment of home club secretary, Rick Rye.

LEADING SCORERS: P Lewis (Held) 17, C Pappas (Caul) 15, A Humble (Croy) 14, S Smith (Juve) 13, J Erres (St.A) 11, K Harrison (GG) 11, D Hanna (Fawk) 10.

THIS WEEK'S GAMES (ROUND 28):

Saturday: Mooroolbark v B. Juventus, Altona Gate v Green Gully.

Sunday: Ringwood City v Northcote City, Melbourne JUST v Albion TG, Box Hill v Frankston Pines, Bulleen v Fawkner, Croydon City v Caulfield City, St Albans v Morwell Falcons, Thomastown v Heidelberg.

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Altona Gate	25	8	9	8	29	28	25
M'bour City	24	7	9	8	25	28	23
N'cote City	25	9	5	11	35	42	23
St Albans	25	7	7	11	25	31	21
R'wood City	25	6	5	14	33	52	17
Mooroolbark	23	5	6	12	21	35	16
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Box Hill	25	0	6	19	13	54	8

Billy Wright adds zip to VSL

BY DAVID BULLOCK

THE Victorian State League received a boost recently when Billy Wright returned to the competition with his former club, Morwell Falcons after a season in the National Soccer League with Adelaide Hellas.

There is no doubting that Wright is a unique character who will add colour to the league as he is aggressive, but at the same time very skilful.

On top of that he has an arrogant touch in his game which makes fans of opposing teams hate him, while Falcons' supporters love him.

When the National League's summer season finished, Wright and his fiancée headed for his native New Zealand.

Within six weeks, Wright was back in Australia, two weeks prior to his arrival, his fiancée had returned home, she made contact with Morwell officials and made arrangements for Wright to link up with the Latrobe Valley side once again.

Wright has turned a full circle in soccer in recent times, after winning a championship medal with Morwell, he opted to move across the border to



BILL WRIGHT

join up with Adelaide Hellas, who had knocked Morwell out of NSL calculations in the play-offs.

Adelaide Hellas had a horror season but the move from Morwell was the right one at the

time, according to Wright.

"At the time, I thought the move to Adelaide was the best for my career, I have always aimed to play in the NSL. I still believe they were very unfortunate to be relegated".

Wright is now looking towards the future and helping Morwell climb up the table.

"They're a great bunch of blokes at Morwell, I love the area and the people".

Morwell has not enjoyed the success this season that it did in 1989. Of what Wright has seen and heard this season, there are a couple of reasons that could indicate the fall-away.

"Last season all our shots on goal were worthy of a goal, while so far this season we have been hitting the wood-work or just missing what we would have scored usually".

Wright is happy to be back.

The wedding bells will be ringing for him in January 1991 and the only thing that will budge him now will be a really tempting offer from a National League club.

All Morwell supporters will have their fingers crossed that he never leaves North Crinigan Road Reserve again.

Wallace settles differences

BY GREG BLAKE

FORMER Scottish international Ian Wallace has settled his differences with Albion Turk Gucu and will see out the season as coach.

Wallace, who resigned his post just hours after the club's 4-0 round 24 defeat at the hands of Fawkner, returned to the club following discussions with players and club management.

"I've never quit at anything in my life and I'm not about to start now," Wallace said of his return last week.

"I stand by what I said when I resigned and that is that I expect at least a 60 percent improvement in every aspect of the club.

"But it seems everyone at the club genuinely wants me there and I've decided to return.

"Certain things have been guaranteed to me by the club and hopefully we'll start to lift from this week."

Wallace, a world-class player in his prime and one of the best credentialled players to come to this country when he joined Melbourne Croatia three years ago, is in his

second season at the helm of the Turkish-sponsored Victorian State League club.

After guiding them to a first division title in '89 Albion hit the State League with a vengeance.

At the half-way point of the season the club was leading the 18-team competition but a run of seven games without a victory, including five defeats, culminated in a dramatic drop down the ladder and Wallace's subsequent resignation.

"I resigned after that game because certain unprofessional things, things I do not intend to elaborate on, were happening behind the scenes," he told ASW.

"At no time previously had we been beaten 4-0 but after two 4-0 defeats in a row it was clear that something was badly wrong at the club.

"I was upset at the way we'd been beaten.

"I thought the players just weren't doing it for me."

Wallace had little chance to enjoy his new found freedom.

Within hours of his quitting a leading club sponsor was on the tele-

phone to try and coax him back.

Club officials called him in less than 24 hours later and Wallace laid it on the line, specifying what he expected of the club and the players.

But talking to the players themselves convinced Wallace that there was still a job to be done.

"As I said, I thought the players weren't doing it for me any more," he explained.

"Maybe I was wrong in that respect — it certainly seems so."

Wallace hit out at press reports critical of Albion's recent form, claiming that few press people had taken into account the club's horrific player losses.

"I'm not one for making excuses but some of what I read is just ill-informed," he said.

"In the first half of the season everything was going right for us but since then it's been a disaster.

"What people don't realise is that we've lost our two main strikers, our two main full backs, Gordon Flavell has been out, Don MacLeod suspended and Tyrone James has been carrying injuries.



IAN WALLACE

"We've bought some players to fill in but the club can only go so far with spending its money.

"This is only my first season in this league and maybe we haven't got the depth and maybe we're not quite good enough yet.

"But we'll be in there doing our best.

"And as for me, I'll be staying on for sure — unless I get the sack."

Souths are home kings

BY GREG BLAKE

SOUTH Melbourne Hellas are the new 'home' kings of NSL competition.

South Melbourne takes over the crown from Sydney Croatia, a club which, until last season, had virtually ruled the roost at the Croatian Sports Centre since joining the league back in 1984.

But South Melbourne, according to this exclusive ASW chart, is now the club hardest to beat at home.

With 11 wins from 13 games at Middle Park this season, South Melbourne has run up 98 wins at home in NSL history and looks set to become the first NSL club to record an historic 100 home wins early next season.

Our 'home' chart takes in all home league games played by current NSL clubs between the 1977 and 1989/90 seasons.

Cup and finals fixtures not included.

POS.	TEAM	PL	WON	DRAW	LOST	FOR	AG	SUCCESS RATE
1st	Sth Melb.	186	98	47	41	299	182	65.32%
2nd	Syd. Croatia	87	46	20	21	146	94	64.37%
3rd	Marconi	185	94	48	43	324	194	63.78%
4th	Preston	133	66	34	33	223	130	62.41%
5th	Ad. City	184	85	53	46	297	176	60.60%
6th	St George	169	77	46	46	267	193	59.17%
7th	APIA	157	70	43	44	234	179	58.28%
8th	Melb. Croatia	88	40	20	28	115	94	56.82%
9th	Syd. Olympic	172	73	46	54	250	191	55.23%
10th	Wollongong	119	45	34	40	173	171	52.10%
11th	S.Geo. Cross	86	32	24	30	105	97	51.16%
12th	Ad. Hellas	147	59	29	59	202	197	50.00%
13th	Melita	27	11	3	13	31	34	46.30%
14th	Blacktown	90	29	22	39	127	143	44.44%



Action in the South Melbourne goalmouth against Melbourne Croatia last season. Souths remain very tough to beat at home.

Marconi travels best

BY GREG BLAKE

MARCONI is still the best traveller in the NSL.

The three-time league champion, despite a testing 14 years at the top level, still shows no fear on road trips and can claim to be possibly the most consistently successful club, home and away, in NSL history.

As this exclusive ASW chart shows,

Marconi is one of only five current NSL clubs which can boast better than 50 percent success away from home turf.

In scoring terms, Marconi streets the rest of the field.

In 183 NSL away games Marconi has managed a massive 322 goals, only two less than it has scored in 185 home matches since 1977.

Our 'away' chart



takes in all away league games played by current NSL clubs between the 1977 and 1989/90 seasons.

Cup and finals fixtures are not included.

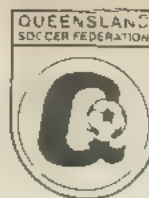
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2nd	Syd. Croatia	87	35	24	28	113	103	54.02%
3rd	Melb. Croatia	86	33	22	31	120	115	51.83%
4th	Sth Melb.	182	69	49	64	239	232	51.37%
5th	Syd. Olympic	170	62	47	61	226	223	50.29%
6th	Melita	27	7	11	9	23	35	46.30%
7th	APIA	159	51	41	67	171	224	44.97%
8th	St George	169	49	47	73	202	281	42.90%
9th	Ad. City	184	56	45	83	219	269	42.67%
10th	Preston	131	34	43	54	135	181	42.37%
11th	Wollongong	121	31	31	59	119	208	38.43%
12th	Blacktown	90	22	17	51	94	182	33.89%
13th	Ad. Hellas	145	30	34	81	136	250	32.14%
14th	S.Geo. Cross	88	16	24	48	72	165	31.82%



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Queensland's own beer

GREG RUSSELL REPORTS



Halford goes home

QUEENSLAND soccer has lost one star but possibly regained another after surprise moves last week.

New Zealand international Paul Halford will return home at the end of the season after a successful stint on the Gold Coast while talented young goalkeeper Alf Lasen has been forced to return to Queensland from West Germany after his visa expired.

Halford's loss is a major blow to Queensland's hopes of forming a competitive combined team to re-enter the National League.

The former All White had become a fixture in Bruce Stowell's state teams over the past two years, winning the Queensland Player of the Match award in the recent clash with NSW.

Halford formed a well-balanced central midfield unit with the experienced Frank Pimblett and was a certainty to be included in the mooted Brisbane United side (provided the QSF was not beaten to the punch by the rumoured Gold Coast NSL side).

Halford said his decision to return to New Zealand was made for his wife Kaye, who is pregnant. "We've got no relatives in Australia," Halford said. "We talked about it a lot and decided it would be best for our child to grow up in a family environment."

Halford first linked with Queensland soccer four years ago when he was snapped up by Brisbane Lions for their return to the NSL after he moved to the Gold Coast for work seasons.

Oddly, Halford never commanded a regular position in the Lions team, then under the coaching of Juan Cutillas. He split with the club midway through the season to play on the Gold Coast.

Despite regular approaches from XXXX League sides, Halford chose to remain on the Gold Coast with Southport. Testimony to his application to the game, he never let his standards drop.

Last week he netted six goals in Southport's stunning 14-0 win.

In announcing his decision to quit Queensland soccer, Halford highlighted a point which could become an issue in Queensland soccer in the coming seasons.

He pointed out he lost money to play at the highest level in the state, particularly when Queensland played on days which were public holidays in Brisbane but not on the Gold Coast and having



Queensland youngster Alf Lasen (with ball) and West German World Cup goalkeeper Bodo Illgner.

club, which were anxious to retain his services, could not break through the red tape.

Lasen, who played on the Gold Coast with Runaway Bay, has not given up his plans of making the grade in Europe.

Queensland seeking a high profile

BY PAT McNEILAN

QUEENSLAND soccer will undergo a lot of changes during the next 18 months.

All of which will help the sport taking on a higher profile in the sporting market place.

The Development Plan, when released, will cover future administration of the sport.

Revamped major club competition, regional competition, NSL and representative programmes, all of which will assist the sport move towards the 21st Century, are all covered.

Major clubs in Brisbane appear keen to have a higher standard of competition in place as soon as possible.

Further discussions are to take place regarding the South East Queensland competition, which if implemented would change the face of the existing Brisbane set-up.

Australian rules in Brisbane has also embarked upon revitalising their competition.

This has been achieved by the amalgamation of clubs, and further amalgamations are occurring.

Rugby league clubs in Queensland are being asked to make applications for admittance into next year's competition.

It is obvious that this is the sign of the times as clubs fight for survival in the present tough economic conditions.

Soccer in Queensland, like all sports, is in the entertainment business.

It must provide the best product to compete for the entertainment dollar.

The QSF Development Plan should provide the sport with the solid base to compete.

Ampol Cup hots up

AMPOL Cup holders North Star have moved to within a step of retaining the trophy after an emphatic quarter-final win over Mount Gravatt last week.

JIM McDONAGH — scored a penalty for North Star.

Stars thumped the struggling Hawks 4-0 to set up a derby semi-final showdown with XXXX League neighbours Pine Rivers.

Rivers booked their place in the semis when they scored an upset 1-0 win over last year's losing finalists Lions. It was the second Rivers defeat of the premiership leaders in a fortnight.

Despite a slow start, North Star gradually gained control of the midfield and notched their first goal five minutes before the break. Jim McDonagh flicked a pass through to an unmarked Nick Seeley whose left foot drive sizzled past Hawks keeper Stu Woodruffe.

North Star took only minutes to find their second when Justin Kilshaw sidefooted into an open goal after good lead-up work on the left wing by Michael Mulvey.

The second half was all North Star as Mount Gravatt saw their only chance of salvaging something from a disappointing season slip out of their reach.

Ken Swan netted Star's third in the 54th minute and a McDonagh penalty ended the routing.

Rivers lived up to their entertainers' tag when they took the game to Lions and emerged worthy winners.

Sydney Olympic's John Koch, playing on loan with his junior club, showed the benefits of his NSL experience when he dominated in midfield and constantly found gaps in the Lions' defence, which lost captain Arno Bertogna and state stopper Andy Stowell in the opening period.

Rivers clinched the victory with a late goal after diminutive keeper Peter Underhill had kept them in the game with a string of superb saves.

The other two quarter-finals are scheduled for Perry Park tonight (Wednesday, July 11).

Eastern Suburbs will be looking to repeat their recent 4-0 win over Acacia Ridge



when the two sides meet in the early game while Olympic United will be out to put aside their relegation fears

when they take on Brisbane City in the late game which should pack Perry Park.

Bluebirds breezing ahead in Rockhampton League

BLUEBIRDS remain on top of the Power's Bitter Premier League despite playing a spirited 0-0 draw with Frenchville at Norbridge Park last Sunday.

On the other field at the same time Berserker remained in second spot after a 5-2 drubbing by Nerimbera.

These results leave three sides locked together on nine points but Berserker's 8-1 thrashing of Southside the previous week gives them a superior goal difference.

The Bluebirds/Frenchville clash was the typical tight no holds barred affair spectators have come to expect from them over the past few seasons.

They are reminiscent of the old Brisbane Lions/Brisbane City games where there wasn't much soccer played but a lot of tension and hard tackling.

It was expected that the necessary close marking of Jason Weyer would produce fireworks and it did. A clash between Mark Doe and Weyer just outside the penalty area saw the yellow card shown to Doe.

The struggle in the middle of the field was

intense with Craig Green and Graham Wilson getting on top.

Wilson was taking up much more forward positions for Frenchville making it very difficult for the Bluebirds defence who were content to pump long balls down the middle.

Darren Jeffries was the only player showing out for Bluebirds in the midfield.

The soccer was so tight that the only real chance of a goal came to Bluebirds right on the final whistle. An interchange between Gary Banks and substitute Darren Anderson saw Anderson's shot hit the post with Frenchville goalkeeper Chris Gordon flatfooted.

Berserker had the nine players back who missed the previous week's thrashing of Southside due to representative commitments but it wasn't enough to overcome Nerimbera.

Lance Laphorne opened the scoring for Nerimbera and quickly got another before Adrian Smith also netted twice to put Nerimbera 4-0 in front.

Berserker's replies came from Jim Gough and Glen Sheppard before Daley scored Nerimbera's fifth.

QUEENSLAND

as at July 1

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	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Bris Lions	13	11	1	1	31	6	34
Bris City	14	9	2	3	38	16	29
North Star	13	6	6	1	37	21	24
Tanning Riv	13	6	5	2	17	13	23
Pine Rivers	11	7	0	4	28	24	21
Eastern Subs	14	5	4	5	22	19	19
Rochdale Riv	14	5	4	5	18	27	19
Acacia Ridge	15	5	0	10	24	37	12
Coastal Stars	3	3	2	8	3	23	11
Olympic Utd	14	3	2	9	13	31	11
Grange Ths	13	2	4	7	14	28	10
Mt Gravatt	13	3	0	10	15	25	9

DIVISION 2

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Nerang	4	1	2	1	31	10	35
Bris Croatia	15	0	2	3	3	13	32
Inala City	4	7	5	2	34	17	26
St Albans	15	7	3	5	23	22	24
The Gap	14	8	4	4	13	1	22
Weymouth	15	5	6	4	21	19	21
St Helens	14	6	2	6	20	8	20
Newmarket	15	8	2	7	25	26	20
Goodna	15	5	3	7	15	2	18
Willowburn	14	4	1	9	21	24	13
Michellton	15	2	3	10	11	29	9
Redlands	14	0	3	1	8	43	3

DIVISION 3

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Annerley	4	5	3	2	32	13	30
Souths Jtd	14	7	4	3	25	15	25
Oarra Utd	14	6	4	4	31	25	22
Slacks Cr	13	6	3	4	25	13	21
J Valley	13	6	3	4	22	19	21
Ullswater	4	6	3	5	21	25	21
Kingsridge	13	6	2	5	27	20	20
Beenleigh	12	5	3	4	18	20	18
Redcliffe	13	5	3	5	14	18	18
Brothers	11	4	0	7	8	24	12
Uni of Old	14	1	4	9	13	28	7
Oxley	13	1	2	10	12	28	5

DIVISION 4

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Albany Ck	14	10	3	1	34	12	33
Capalaba	13	7	3	3	35	17	24
Griffith Uni	13	7	2	4	23	17	23
Southside Eag	12	6	3	3	16	4	21
Pine Hills	13	4	8	1	21	13	20
Deception Bay	14	6	2	6	26	28	20
Kenmore Ran	13	3	7	3	22	23	16
Samford Range	14	4	4	6	20	22	16
Tonawong	13	3	5	5	20	30	14
South Star	13	3	3	7	12	23	12
Western Subs	13	2	3	8	25	38	9
Leichhardt	13	1	3	9	10	27	6

Thys remains Belgian coach

Guys Thys has agreed to remain Belgian national coach until the end of this year and possibly until July 1992 because a suitable successor could not be found, the president of the Belgian Soccer Federation said this week.

"Thys agreed to stay on until we find a suitable successor for him," Michel D'Hooghe said.

D'Hooghe said Thys, 67, would lead Belgium at least until after it played its first two European championship qualifying matches later this year.



GUY THYS

He added that if necessary, Thys, who led Belgium in three World Cup campaigns, might stay on until his contract expires in July 1992.

Thys bowed out as national coach last July after leading Belgium in 101 matches over a 13-year-period, but was asked to return following the shock dismissal of his successor, Walter Meeuws, in February.

Thys said repeatedly before the World Cup he would quit as coach for good after the tournament and resume his more administrative job as technical co-ordinator of the Belgian Federation.

"But I managed to convince him during a long meeting in Verona to stay on as coach for the sake of Belgian soccer," D'Hooghe said.

West German midfielder Lothar Matthaus will stay with his Italian club, Inter Milan, until 1993.

The West German captain reached agreement with the club to extend his contract, due to expire at the end of next season, for another two years.

Inter says Matthaus, who joined the club from Bayern Munich two seasons ago, would receive close to \$1.3 million annually for the last two years of his contract.

Ireland manager Jack Charlton will continue in his post.

"I've 18 months to go in the Irish job and I'll be staying with it after the World Cup," Charlton said.

Football Association of Ireland officials were expected to offer Charlton a new contract in the near future.

Charlton guided the fighting Irish to their first European Championship appearance, in 1988, and their first World Cup.

Peter Lux of SV Waldhof Mannheim has become only the second footballer in West German history to transfer to East Germany when he signed for Dynamo Dresden.

The East German champions have sold five of their players to West German clubs in recent months in exchange for about \$6 million.

Dirk Rehbein became the first player to go east at the start of the month when he joined FC Berlin from Bayern Leverkusen.

Dutch First Division club Feyenoord Rotterdam has signed Romanian World Cup star Ioan Sapau on a four-year contract.

The 22-year-old Dynamo Bucharest midfielder, whose attacking style helped Romania through to the second round of the finals, signed with the club at the end of last week.

He will begin training on July 16 but no financial details were available.

Several West European clubs have shown interest in players from Romania who were edged out of the World Cup by Ireland in a penalty shoot-out.

The country's biggest star, midfielder Gheorghe Hagi, signed for Real Madrid for \$5.2 million before the finals began.



LEE HOE-TAEK

Lee Hoe-taek resigned as coach of South Korea's national team to take responsibility for the squad's failure to win a match at the World Cup.

"I felt the limit of my ability," Lee said in announcing his resignation.

After South Korea was eliminated in the first round of Italia '90, Lee offered to resign. He made his resignation official this week.

Lee came under public fire for his team's lacklustre performance in Italy.

South Korea was eliminated in the first round after losing 3-1 to Belgium, 2-0 to Spain and 1-0 to Uruguay.

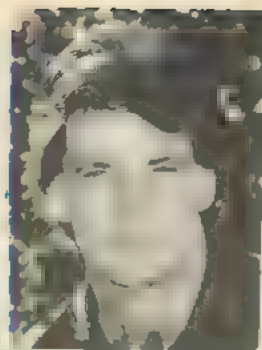
The South Korean team was inferior to its European and Latin American competitors in individual skills and teamwork.

Critics also said Lee employed outdated tactics.

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JOHNNY WARREN COVERS THE WORLD CUP



New rules will protect forwards

CHANGES in the laws of football to give forwards more protection from offside and to make it compulsory for referees to send off players who commit so-called professional fouls were made official last week.

The International Board, which governs the game's laws, decided to amend the rules so that attacking players in line with the last but one defender will no longer be ruled offside.

The Board also agreed to write into the laws FIFA's instructions to referees to clamp down on violent play and professional fouls, introduced for the World Cup finals.

The body, on which FIFA has four votes and the four British football associations one each as founders of the game, made it obligatory for all players in all competitions to wear shin-guards as standard equipment.

FIFA spokesman Andreas Herren told a news conference the changes would come into effect at the start of the next season in each member country.

He said the amendment to the offside rule was designed to favour attacking soccer.

"In line is no longer offside," he said. "The change is to give the attacking player an advantage over the defender. It will encourage attacking football."

FIFA outlawed the professional foul before the World Cup finals, ordering referees to send off players who bring down a forward when he has broken clear of the defence and has a chance at goal.

The sanction of dismissal has now been written into the laws.

"If a player is denied an obvious goal chance in this way, the referee will have to send off the offender," Herren said.

The instructions to World Cup referees ordering them to show the red card to players who tackle from behind or commit violent fouls were also made part of the rules.



Belgium's brilliant playmaker, Enzo Scifo — one of the stars of Italia '90.

Belgian goalkeeper Michel Preud'homme watches in horror as England score in the last minute of extra-time in the quarter-finals.

Europe to veto English clubs

ENGLISH clubs can virtually write off any hope of returning to European competition next season following riots in Rimini which led to 246 fans being thrown out of Italy.

"This turns the clock back," UEFA president Lennart Johansson said. "This will not help the English teams to make a fast return to European Cup competitions. I don't think we should hurry up with the issue on the English teams' European comeback."

British Sports Minister Colin Moynihan blasted the 246 fans who were put on a plane back to England as mindless criminals.

Moynihan, in Italy for England's World Cup matches against Belgium and Cameroon, blasted "the mindless selfishness of the criminally motivated minority of so-called England fans."

Police rounded up the fans after a running battle which started when a mob threw bottles at Italians celebrating their country's victory over Uruguay.

They were held overnight in police barracks before being expelled.

"This was the second serious incident involving large numbers of England supporters since the World Cup finals began," Moynihan said in a statement.



"Even if, as has been suggested, there was provocation by some Italian supporters, I bitterly condemn the minority of so-called England fans."

"Clearly, they have no regard for the interests of genuine football supporters nor for the thousands of holidaymakers in Rimini."

"The events underlined again that neither the Italian nor the British governments will tolerate hooligan behaviour."

Moynihan will report to UEFA after the tournament but he would not say whether he would withhold support for English clubs being readmitted to European competition.

The ban was imposed after 39 fans were crushed to death in riots at the 1985 European Cup final between Liverpool and Juventus.

An Englishman sees it as it is . . .

Africa — a continent on the march

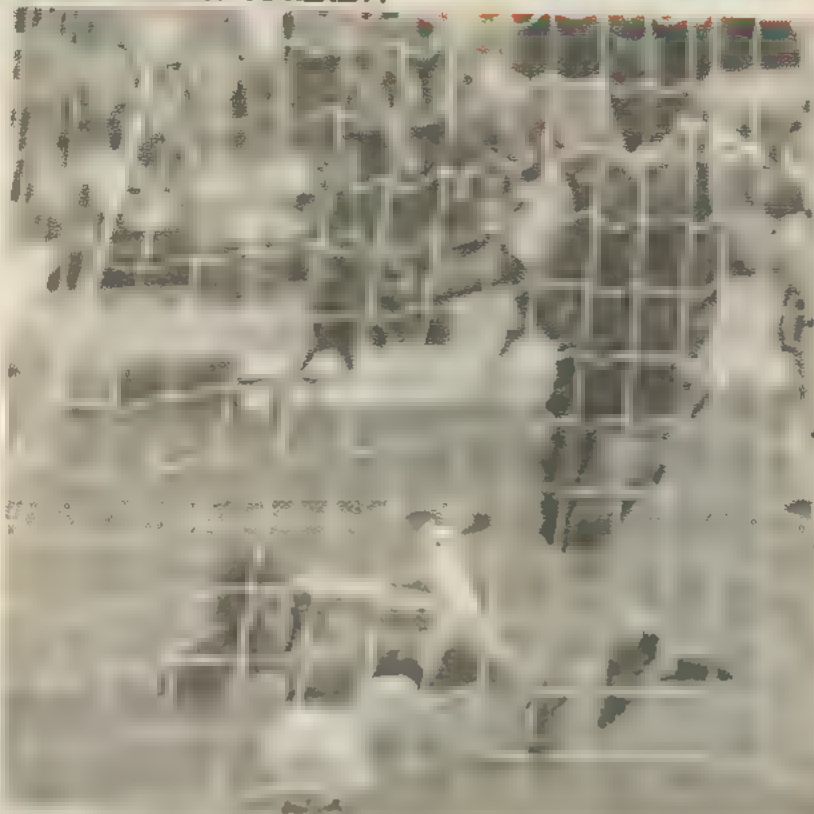
GRAHAM COOKE FACES UP TO REALITY

I wished away 16 good minutes of my life in the cold, gloomy Canberra dawn last week.

At my age it's probably a silly thing to do, and certainly not something I had expected would be necessary as I settled down with a steaming mug of tea — English Breakfast of course — to watch England go through the formality of claiming a place in the World Cup semi-finals.

Cameroun, which had already bagged world-champion Argentina, Romania and Colombia, came preciously close to adding the nation which invented the game to its trophy cabinet.

It was the better side for most of the 120 dramatic minutes, played by far the more attractive football and in a 38-year-old veteran called Roger Milla had the kind of match-winner any side in the



OH NO!: Argentine 'keeper Pumpido looks back after letting through Cameroun's winning goal in their first round match



Costa Rica's Juan Cayasso — one of the revelations of Italia '90.

What I saw instead was confirmation of the most significant change in international soccer's balance of power since the rise of South America in the 1920s and 30s.

Africa has arrived on centre-stage of the world's greatest game.

world would covet.

It was beaten by its inability to judge the timing of its tackles. Two penalties and the quixotic desire of England's Gary Lineker to repeat his 1986 feat of finishing the tournament's highest scorer, finally saw England

uneasily home 3-2.

Those kind of faults are correctable, and there is no doubt Cameroun, and Africa, will learn the lessons of the Italian experience.

Those who have bothered to check the small-print results from such events as the African nations championship, World Cup qualifiers or even club games on the continent, will have noted the inevitably vast crowds which attend such events.

While the rest of the

world embraces increasingly sophisticated and diverse tastes, Africans are still prepared to jam themselves into dusty, uncomfortable stadia in order to get a glimpse of their heroes.

Such enthusiasm has been there for decades, it is now being harnessed.

If there was one team likely to break down Cameroun it was England.

Disasters such as the 1-0 loss to the United States 40 years ago are

ingrained in its playing psyche.

Of all nations, it takes the most care not to lose to teams it is expected to beat.

On this occasion the old order has eventually defeated the challenge of the new.

But in reaching the quarter-finals, and acquitting itself so well, Cameroun has given a warning to the code's establishment.

A continent is on the march and the face of soccer has altered, probably for ever.

TIME FOR PENALTIES
— FOR WINES — ENDS

BY DAVID SMEDLEY

THE massive saturation coverage of the 1990 World Cup by SBS could result in a considerable amount of stress and frustration in a relationship, according to reports in the UK.

Marriage guidance counsellors believe the male sports addict runs the risk of ruining his marriage due to strain and the fact that wives feel ignored.

Sex is also said to be a problem. A wife who feels rejected and frustrated does not wish to be sexually involved with her husband 'between football matches'.

This sort of tension, in marriages where stress is already present, can lead to arguments and aggravation and in isolated cases, violence.

Over the last four weeks SBS has televised about 250 hours of World Cup action. Coming live from Italy the event has been the biggest sporting coverage ever undertaken by an Australian network.

As the World Cup finals have ended and viewing is restricted to replays, think about what your female spouse may have gone through over the last month and perhaps try and restore any lost harmony in your relationship.

Also don't forget qualifying rounds and matches of the European championship get well under way in the next few months and can be seen on SBS.

Penalty trouble

DIEGO Maradona blamed it on divine intervention, Dragan Stojkovic on mind-numbing exhaustion.

But neither was the first big name to miss a spot kick in penalty shoot-outs at the World Cup finals.

When a team's fate hangs in the balance, tension can paralyse co-ordination and jar nerves of steel.

Maradona's feeble shot and Stojkovic's reckless blast against the top of the bar were among five failed penalties out of 10 as Argentina scraped through 3-2 in the shoot-out against Yugoslavia in the quarter-finals.

If it seemed an astonishingly high failure rate for top-notch professionals at the world's premier event, there was more sympathy than condemnation for the players.

Yugoslav coach Ivica Osim, whose team played with 10 men for almost 90 minutes after the sending off of midfielder Refik Sabanadzovic, said he could not have asked more of his players who were exhausted by the scorching heat of the Tuscan sun.

"It was just too bad about the penalties. But they were playing for two hours in that heat and you must understand it's easy to make a mistake like that," he said.

To cap it all, Zico had missed a penalty in normal time in an extraordinary game which finished with three of the world's greatest players failing in what is regarded as little more than a

formality for men of much lesser prestige.

Maradona's miss at the end of a quarter-final which did not produce a single goal even after extra-time was the third shoot-out flop of his career.

Both the others were for his club Napoli in the UEFA Cup against Toulouse in 1986 and Sporting Lisbon last season when he was faced, as he was in Florence, by Yugoslav keeper Tomislav Ivkovic.

Ivkovic, who bet Maradona \$100 he could not score the first time, saved both kicks but still ended up on the losing side on each occasion.

"I think God made me miss the penalty for superstitious reasons," Maradona said, tongue clearly in cheek, of his slip against the Yugoslavs.

But he thanked God and keeper Sergio Goycochea for rescuing the situation.

The Argentine goalie stopped the last two shots from Dragoljub Brnovic and Faruk Hadzibegic after Pedro Troglio had compounded Maradona's error by hitting the post with his effort.

Goycochea was aware the tension was building up on the Yugoslavs.

"I saw they were nervous," he said. "They had definitely lost concentration."

Stojkovic, who once missed a last-minute penalty for Red Star Belgrade in the Yugoslav Cup final and saw his team lose 1-0 to Borac Banja Luka, said exhaustion was eventually decisive.



Brazil's Careca: his two goals against Sweden were a rare highlight of his team's mediocre World Cup campaign.

ADELAIDE City has fixed up import sweeper Milan Ivanovich on a new two-year contract and should name its coach early next week, president Charlie Caruso has revealed. The City chief would not speculate on the coaching position or needed recruiting targets but it looks certain Zoran Matic will continue in the senior role with extensive back-up in a revamped system. City, according to interstate reports, looks unlikely to snap up signing targets Branko Milosevic (Melbourne Croatia) and Sunshine's Ernie Tapai who reportedly are on contract with their clubs.

ADELAIDE Hellas, relegated from the NSL last season, has bought Paul Carter from Blacktown and signed Apia goalkeeper Tony Pezzano in its bid to win the SA State League and return to the NSL via the playoffs. But the Greek-backed club could not lure Milan Ivanovich and Steve Maxwell from Adelaide rival City. Gerry Gomez also knocked back a chance to join the SA club.

Major Australian grounds are being

chosen for staging the 1993 World Youth Cup. The Australian Soccer Federation is believed to expect Sydney Football Stadium, Parramatta Stadium, Lang Park, Bruce Stadium, Olympic Park and Hindmarsh Stadium to get the nod.

ADELAIDE City last week launched an amazing bid to try to lure Cameroun World Cup wizard Roger Milla. President Charlie Caruso said: "We would like him to play for us for a season. He would be a great attraction in Australia. A player of his ability would give the NSL a tremendous boost." City's bold plan is likely to be duplicated by dozens of clubs worldwide and does not look a strong chance for success.

Canberra Croatia has regained the services of former national under-16 representative Tony Pangallo who has been playing in the National Youth League with the Australian Institute of Sport. Pangallo filled a wide midfield role for the reserves against Avala and is expected to join the increasing number of players pushing for a first-team spot.

Victorian promotion

STATE League Weekly, in the form of an eight page weekly program, is an informative new innovation for Victorian soccer.

Edited by ASW's David Bullock, it will be available at State League grounds.

Bullock says the new product is a supplement to ASW's comprehensive weekly coverage of the Victorian scene, and wants the public to get behind the venture.

"Match-day magazines have been few and far between as far as Victorian clubs are concerned," he said at the launch.

Included in the first edition were interviews with Steve Smith of Juventus, Ringwood star John Corvan as well as competitions, reviews, guest tipsters, State League stats and a guest column from your humble correspondent.

"We saw a void that needed to be filled and we hope the new publication will do that job."

"The only way it can survive is with the support of the public."

State League Weekly is on sale every Saturday and Sunday at State League grounds in Victoria with a cover price of \$1.

KELLY HONOURED



KELLY BASH — The big function to honour former South Coast star Jim Kelly takes place in Wollongong on Saturday night September 15.

Today's picture harks back to the Kelly years, as the former Blackpool and England star displays the Bisleri Cup, in amongst a group of South Coast fans.

The occasion was the 1963 NSW Grand Final, at which a capacity 30,158 crowd saw South Coast United down Apia Leichhardt 4-0.

The attendance still is the biggest for a club match in Australia.

Kelly, a highly successful businessman in England, will be visiting Wollongong with his wife Diana.

Tickets to the reunion are \$25 per head, and wives and girlfriends are particularly invited to attend.

The event takes place at Wollongong's Masters Builders Club and a huge crowd is expected.

Cheques and money orders for bookings can be mailed to Sid Fairs, of Illawarra Mercury, Keira St, Wollongong 2500.

Mr Fairs was the soccer writer for the Mercury in the days when the Kelly Gang reigned supreme. Later he was sporting editor and now writes various sports for the paper.

Contact can also be made with either Trevis Birch 042 27 3061 or Jim Harris 042 29 777.

It's an occasion that Sydney and Wollongong soccer people will not want to miss.

Striking car for sale

A red Nissan Exa, previously owned by two of Australia's top strikers, is now up for sale.

The 1988 Exa was originally owned by ace striker Frank Farina, who had to sell it when he took up his contract with Belgium club Brugge.

Farina sold this little red rocket to fellow striker, Fred de Jong just prior to departing for Belgium.

But now de Jong, who also has been bought by an overseas club, Fortuna Sittard, must sell it.

Marconi giant goalkeeper Bobby Catlin has been entrusted by de Jong to sell the Exa for him.

Catlin told ASW this week: "It certainly has been a lucky car for its owners. Both now are overseas playing in the big league."

"It has a Targo top as well, and could again prove a lucky omen for its new owner."

The car, which is fully equipped with a stereo system and alarm, is now up for sale and aspiring buyers may contact Bobby Catlin on 02 939 6142.

— JOHN ECONOMOS

Urgency for new director

BY NSW DIRECTOR OF COACHING, DAVID LEE

IT is strange how sports list their priorities.

• National team coach versus national director

• National team coach responsible for thirty to forty players and the country's playing image

National Director responsible for:

1) The scheme, that produces the coaches, that improve the players

2) The talent identification program for elite players.

3) The improvement of the elite coaches by special seminars and programs

In other words, the national team coach's ability to produce a competitive team is very short term

The only way long term that he can carry

out a successful program almost totally depends on a strong, efficient, well co-ordinated national coaching scheme and talent identification program

At least with Eddie Thomson's appointment, a round peg is back in a round hole.

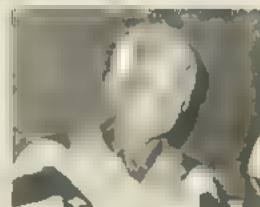
Eddie is back doing what he does best, team coaching.

But let us not delay the appointment of a National Director, otherwise we will still be ten years away from a successful World Cup bid.

It is time for immediate attention to:

1) Appointment of National Director of Coaching

2) Development of a State Institute of Sport as the feeder system to a reconstructed Australian Institute of



David Lee

Sport Program under the National Director of Coaching

3) Only qualified registered coaches allowed to coach National or State League Clubs.

4) All State League and National League players over the age of 25 to attend Level 2 Courses held at no cost.

5) A refresher course held at least every two years for registered qualified State and National League Coaches, conducted by a leading overseas coach with compulsory attendance.

Youth team in Indonesia

THE Australian Youth team winged its way to Indonesia on Monday for its warm up tour in preparation for the Oceania qualifying series for the 1991 World Youth Championships.

Before leaving, coach Les Scheinflug expressed his confidence in the standard of his squad.

"This is an exceptionally talented group

"They certainly need experience in order to win through to the finals."

The 18 players are drawn from NSW, Vic

toria and the Australian Institute of Sport.

Tour leader is George Dick, with other management members Eddie Thomson (national coach), Raul Blanco (assistant coach), Pedro Ruiz (physiotherapist), Dr Paul Trevillian (doctor) and Rod Woods as gear steward

The Oceania titles will be held in Fiji in September, and the finals in Portugal in mid 1991.

Trajanovski unavailable

BY

GRAHAM COOKE
CANBERRA Croatia's plan to sign youth soccer international Kris Trajanovski has fallen through.

It had appeared the high-scoring Australian Institute of Sport striker's signature was a formality and that he would join the Canberra team's bid to win promotion to the Qut National League.

But Croatia coach Tom Sermann said problems had arisen when they sat down to discuss Trajanovski's program.

"It became apparent that with his commitments to the Young Socceroos he would only be available to us for three or four games," Sermann said.

"Under those circumstances it is simply not worthwhile adding him to our squad."

\$650,000 spending on Hindmarsh lighting

THE contract to upgrade the Hindmarsh Stadium's lighting, for the benefit of TV coverage, has been awarded to Philips.

The project, worth around \$650,000, is being funded and project-managed by the South Australian Department of Construction (SACON) for the SA Department of Sports and Recreation.

No strangers to lighting up soccer fields, Philips earlier this year installed new lights, especially designed for TV coverage, into six World Cup stadiums in Italy.

Ron Hinde, professional lighting engineer with Philips, in Adelaide, says: "The vastly improved capabilities of today's TV cameras and the improved TV presentations — like extreme close-ups and slow motion replays — demand a very precise technology in providing just the right amount and colour of light."

"For Hindmarsh, our Lighting Design Centre calculated this illumination on a minimum/average vertical coverage of 1,000 lux towards the cameras, with a minimum of 800 lux over the total playing area. This can be switched to just 200 or 400 lux for practice or non-TV coverage field activities."

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with Alan Clark



NEIL MCGACHEY

ANOTHER coach and several new playing faces could be introduced next season at Birkalla Eagles. Camden boss Neil McGachey, at present on a study tour in Europe, will come back to a stepped up role with the SA Sports Institute. And that could jeopardise his position at Birkalla. The commitment involved in the new appointment could hamper the time he could give to the coaching role at Camden. A question mark, too, must be over the playing future of such evergreen players as Graham Honeyman, Ian McGregor, Gary Sproul and Gary Price. Several of the Eagles younger brigade have been told they could have the opportunity next year to stake their claim for senior berths.

SA Soccer Federation general manager Mike Wells is to sit down with Foundation SA chiefs to iron out "five or six" points of interest to the game in SA. Arrangements for the Player of the Year Award on Friday, October 5 could be on the agenda.

ASSISTANT Polonia coach Gerry Pettit is delighted with the form of teenage midfield dynamo Shane Porter and striker John Christopoulos. But he says the club should rest the duo and is unable to because of the paucity of depth of its squad. "Young Shane has been terrific but really we have asked too much of him," said Pettit. "He needs as couple of weeks in the Reserve to get a breather. He is just a youngster. Christopoulos, too, has been playing well but he carries a big burden to put the goals we're after. He could do with a spell but with our squad not as strong in depth as others we have to keep playing the likes of these lads."

The 40th Anniversary Miss Polonia Ball will be held on July 14 at the Dom Polski Centre. A week later, will be the Junior Colts cabaret at the Polonia clubrooms. Meanwhile, former schoolteacher Frank Ward has agreed to stand in as club secretary until the end of the season. He takes over from John Sosnowski who had to relinquish

his position through work commitments.

TALENTED Croatia defender Mike Barnett awaits specialist advice on whether he will need surgery on the knee he injured against Polonia. One specialist has advised he needs a knee reconstruction but Barnett awaits a second opinion. But, in better news for the club, striker Ante Ljubic is ready to resume after missing all the League season so far with a groin complaint.

CROATIA coach Donald Campbell looks sure to get the green light to continue at Croatia next year — if he wants the job. Club president Tony Kilic said any such move

both have learned through the season," said Kilic.

Campbell started his first senior coaching stint this season after an ultra-successful refereeing career. Under his guidance, Croatia clinched this season's Ampol Cup and is chasing Hellas to the line in the Foundation SA League First Division. Campbell has been content at Croatia but at least two other clubs are believed to have sounded him out over next season.

FORMER Polonia striker Steve Witwicki seems something of a hoodoo man against his old club. He has scored five times in his past seven meetings with his old mates



Ian McGregor

would have to be ratified by the incoming committee after elections later this year. But he anticipated no problems. "Both Don and I were new to our positions this year and I'm sure we

THE Auld Enemy are to meet in September in SA in a special match for charity. A local Scotland XI and a Bryan Kent England side will clash for the Edinburgh Castle Charity Cup. Former

Celtic Lisbon Lion Willie Wallace should be in the Tartan Terror side for the clash from which four local charities will benefit.

The match is being sponsored by Tam and Charlie Lamont's Edinburgh Castle Hotel in Currie Street and is to become an annual charity clash. A dinner dance will follow the big game for which Willie Wallace's Admiral is to provide strips.

FORMER Para Hills player Neil Fuller flew out to the Netherlands on Friday with golden hopes. He is to be SA's only representative in the Australian team to compete in the World Games for the Disabled. Fuller, who lost part of a leg after an injury playing for Para Hills will compete in pentathlon (100m, 200m, long jump, high jump and shot put) against the world's best. The outstanding SA athlete won the pentathlon gold in September at the Fespice Games in Japan. He also took silver in the high jump and bronze in the long jump and 100m.

ADELAIDE Hellas meets Salisbury in today's first West End Premier Cup quarter-final. Polonia meets Para Hills in the second match. Other quarter-finals, the following Wednesday feature Birkalla v Lion and Croatia v Campbelltown

Alchin aids Monaro

INTER Monaro's utility man, Craig Alchin, has had a change of heart and wills stay with the struggling NSW State League club at least until the end of the season.

Earlier it had seemed Alchin was set for a return to Queensland after he had told coach Harry Williams he would not sign a contract following the club's rejection of a take-over offer from neighbouring Queanbeyan Macedonia.

Alchin's decision is one of two good bits of news for Williams after a weekend which saw the club become increasingly isolated at the foot of the league table.

The other is the re-appearance of defender Toplica Popovich who left at the end of last season to study in Sydney.

"He realises that with the transfer deadline gone he cannot play for anyone else this season and has agreed to make himself available," Williams said.

The former Canberra City player was an important part of Monaro's combination last season and is likely to make a major contribution once he returns to match fitness.

— GRAHAM COOKE

Canberra Croatia needs widespread promotional plan

CANBERRA Croatia should seek to plug into the success of Canberra Raiders' rugby league 'Green Machine' if it wins promotion to the summer Quit National League, ACT Soccer Federation vice-president Steve Darby believes.

"I would like to see an approach to the Canberra Raiders to find out if there is interest in soccer becoming a summer arm of their rugby league promotion," he says.

"The advantages for Croatia are obvious. It could gain a tremendous amount by being part of such an aggressive operation. But I also see pluses for the Raiders.

"It would mean their marketing and promotion arm could run at full stretch the year round."

It is not the first time an arrangement of this nature has been mooted.

In August, 1987 sporting entrepreneur

Bob Pritchard, who at that time appeared on the brink of taking over the then Canberra Griffins, suggested a joint operation involving the soccer club, the Raiders and basketball's Canberra Cannons.

The idea went no further as Pritchard quickly faded from the scene, but the obvious difficulty of a cross-sport link at that time then was the fact the Raiders, Cannons and Griffins were competing for audiences in the same winter season.

Now, with National League soccer being played in the summer, that barrier at least has been removed.

Chinese tackle soccer issue

WHEN it comes to soccer, China, who came nowhere near qualifying for the World Cup finals, needs to pull its socks up, the "China Daily" said.

In an article headlined: "It's time to tackle the soccer issue", the official newspaper bemoaned the fact that the only Oriental team to make the finals was South Korea — and it failed to win a single match.

"If Asia is way behind the world in soccer, China still has to struggle to get to the top in Asia," the newspaper said.

Alongside table tennis, football is one of the most popular sports in this nation of 1.1 billion people.

Night after night millions of Chinese, including the country's paramount leader 85-year-old Deng Xiaoping, stayed up until the

early hours watching satellite broadcasts of World Cup matches.

The newspaper proposed improving training methods and inviting over foreign coaches to boost China's chances.

It also commented that China's soccer season is too short so that players end up relatively inexperienced.

The closest China got to the World Cup finals was when they lost a crucial group match to New Zealand in 1982, it noted.

"If amateurs from Cameroun can play like real professionals, why should the professionals here play like amateurs?" the article said.

Croweaters tour Vanuatu

THE SA Soccer Federation board could re-schedule the last round of Foundation SA League games to accommodate this month's State trip to Vanuatu.

SA plays in the 10th Anniversary tournament from July 23-31 while the crucial last league round is on Saturday, July 28.

"With teams going for promotion, relegation and a qualifying spot in Cup competitions we don't want to disadvantage anyone," said SASF general manager, Mike Wells.



ROBERT ZABICA



MIKE WELLS, SA general manager.

"We could look at deferring the last league round until August 4 and switching Coca-Cola and West End Premier Cup semis.

"We realise this is an important time for clubs. The board is likely to explore the matter."

Preliminary Vanuatu squad members Socceroo goalkeeper Robert Zabica, of Adelaide City, and Birkalla Eagles' Paul Higgins are unavailable for the trip.

Other players may

have to miss out for similar work commitments but the response from players has been positive, according to Wells.

Croatia midfielder Juan Rodriguez has been called into the squad after a sterling performance against Polonia and Wells said two or three touring positions were up for grabs.

"Being called into the reckoning for the State team really gives players a lift," said Wells. "It is disappointing some SA companies cannot support this full State tour

to a competition right on our door step.

"We have had a good response from players contacted but we still shall have to wait to see just who will be available."

LETTER

It gives me joy to write this letter to you, with regard to events of Sunday April 22nd.

I attended the Edensor Park grounds, to watch the double-header and I was able to sit and enjoy a game for once, without any hooligan influences around.

This was due to Croatia having uniformed security officers.

When I entered the front gate, the courtesy extended to me and the people I was with was tremendous.

I take my hat off to Croatia and St Johns Park Security Service for the fine performance. My car was safe, my person was safe.

This must put an additional cost burden on the club but the way these security guards performed the expense is worth it.

Alan Finlayson
Greenfield Park

NSW 2176



Caladonian's former Sydney-based midfielder, Ian McClone (No 7), takes on White Eagle's David Stoddart. (White Eagle 3 Calies 0) — Photo by Tony Palmer, "The Mercury"

Welcome to U16 Nationals at Parklea

THE NSW Soccer Federation has put out the welcome mat for State Under 16 teams competing in the National Championships at Parklea this week.

The brightest of the youngsters are on their way through to bigger things

They have tremendous prospects, especially as national teams now extend from under 16, youth (under 20), Olympic Games and the senior national side.

NSW president Peter Thorne said: "Welcome to Valentine Sports Park — the home of soccer in New South Wales. The New South Wales Soccer Federation is pleased to be hosting the 1990 Under 16 National Championship and to be associated with the Talent Identification Scheme."

"Whilst not everyone can be a member of the winning side or selected in the train-on squad for the 1993 World Youth Cup all the players on show are already high achievers. They are the elite of their respective states."

"The expectations are that the skill level will be high and all games highly competitive."



John Constantine
tative. It is hoped that all matches are played in a spirit of "Fair Play" with sportsmanship the ultimate winner."

ASF chairman John Constantine welcomed the teams and thanked Adidas, Australian Airlines, Mitre and Travelodge for their support

Queensland

1. Jamie Irwin
2. Kieren Galloway
3. Wayne Murray
4. Brenley Jeffery
5. Daniel Stowers
6. Sean Cranney
7. Jason Poggi
8. Kerry Whear
9. Tod Strike
10. David Stallan
11. Steven Brewington
12. Mark Anderson
13. Andrew King
14. Craig Hodgetts
15. Bradley Ditton
16. Brett Wass

Assistant Coach: Max Bland
Physio: Rob Thoms
Manager: Ian Dalzell

NSW

1. Andrew Crews
2. Tony Alilovic
3. Andrew Dowling
4. Darren Blkin
5. Colin McAusland
6. Ante Milicic
7. Peter Moon
8. Derek Pomer
9. Shane Rojas
10. Godwin Spiteri
11. Alan Stajic
12. Ari Triantafalou
13. Peter Tsekis
14. Glen Sprod
15. Shane West
16. John Perosit

Coach: Davie Lee
Assistant Coach: Vince Balzan
Manager: Ron Pratt
Physio: Terry Trevillion

Victoria

1. Frank Junic
2. Ty Tran
3. Louie Siffanovski
4. Michael Nasso
5. Mark Sorrentino
6. Kevin Muscat
7. Mario Crivan
8. Goran Lozanovski
9. Chris Kurtlesovski
10. Nick Redecki
11. Michael Pappas
12. Jani Surl
13. Gary Frezzini
14. Zorin Bizimovsai
15. Tim Schleiger
16. L. Makrigiannis

Coach: Tim White
Assistant Coach: Tony Dunkerley
Physio: Greg Cunningham
Manager: Joe Docherty

South Australia

1. Peter Cindric
2. Neil Brown
3. James Musci
4. Phillip Friscie
5. Shane Porter
6. Matthew Ryan
7. James Mitchell
8. Heath Robertson
9. Nick Tsoukalas
10. Paul Caporaso
11. Frank Tibaldi
12. Andrew Kilisbirn
13. Michael Tachos
14. Frank Jukic
15. Michael Brennan
16. Heath Weber

Coach: Zoran Maric
Trainer: Nick Joy
Manager: Jack Innes

Northern NSW

1. Jason Roberts
2. Glen Beauzeville
3. Richard Johnson
4. Craig Green
5. Troy Fletcher
6. Darren Lang
7. Shane Pryce
8. George Safourns
9. Troy Haplin
10. Adam Hellyer
11. Steven Kacev
12. Scott Morrison
13. Steven Fester
14. Andrew Nobbs
15. Darren Beardow
16. Matthew Miner

Coach: Don Harrison
Manager: Job McCallum

Tasmania

1. Richard Jones
2. Mathew Wilson
3. Andrew Denton
4. Mark Rapley
5. Kurt Gistingham
6. John Richardson
7. David Mullinger
8. Michael Spieglic
9. Jason Clayton
10. B. Lakoseljac
11. Martin Niderfer
12. Kent Kn.bbs
13. Jason Hay
14. Mark Falzon
15. Kane Salter
16. Mark Dwyer

Coach: David Smith
Manager: Colin West
Physio/Trainer: D Hobins

ACT

1. Michael Giannasca
2. Luke Harrison
3. Robert Perinovic
4. Ante Juric
5. Craig Rankine
6. Paul Roberts
7. Elhot Zwangobani
8. Daniel Macor
9. Pero Konsul
10. Lazar Stemonov
11. Luigi Gaspari
12. Nick Rendina
13. Grant Wilson
14. Robert Coulter
15. Joe Campagna
16. Tom Rogic

Coach: Alan Reis
Assistant Coach: Steve Bryant
Manager: Peter Hugg
Trainer: Barry Rumble

Western Australia

1. Vince Matassa
2. Cesare Forgione
3. Steven Lazaridis
4. Paul Blakeley
5. Claude Passerello
6. Hughie Miller
7. David Smoult
8. Marc Wingell
9. Tony Vaghiello
10. Gary Lees
11. Mark Makndis
12. Michael Riley
13. Johnny Costa
14. Kieran Collins
15. Mark Howie
16. John Zaccaria

Coach: John Ward
Manager: Tom Sinclair

National U15 championships

SA, Vic early leaders

THE opening day of the U15 National soccer titles at Lynwood Park, Campbelltown saw the predicted high level of skill and entertainment.

Headed by the 3rd Royal Australian Regiment Pipe and Drums, the respective state squads marched in unison to herald the largest tournament of its nature to be staged in the Macarthur region.

The tournament was officially opened by State Member for Campbelltown Michael Knight.

The opening match between South Australia and Queensland started affairs with a flourish.

South Australia proved far too strong in the latter stages and ran out eventual 3-0 winners with goals from George Kolias, George Atsikbasis, and Matthew Coutouvidis.

Victoria and the ACT continued the fervour with a five goal display in a see-sawing event.

Victoria were able to overcome their daring opponents 3-2.

Goalscorers for Victoria were Lino Mordocca, Vasco Trpceviski plus an own goal and for the ACT Daniel Jukic.

Scorers for Tasmania were Tommy Jelovic 2, Laslo Szabo 2 and Anthony Johnson 1 in their 5-0 win over Northern Territory.

The West Australian lads converted two penalty attempts the take the match 2-0 against Northern NSW.

WA's Adrian Biundo was on target on both occasions to deprive a rather unlucky but very plucky Northern outfit that will make future opponents work tirelessly for results.

Round 2

The opening encounter was a very even affair with the Northern Territory and the ACT locked in a dour struggle until the ACT's David Milin turned on his own brand of magic to net himself four goals which were the sum total of the eventual scoreline for the ACT.

Milin was in everything and was ably assisted by good mid-field support to unleash himself goalbound with regularity.

The Territory is improving under the patient guidance of very hard working coach John Keirs.

South Australia showed that their 3-0 defeat of Queensland in round 1 was not unexpected as they severely punished Tasmania 5-0.

A Nathan McGair free kick started their

charge on goal as he unloaded a floater that fooled the Tassie defence and 'keeper that sailed into the top corner of the net.

Jimmy Tsekis, Peter Galantomos, George Atsikbasis and Paul Agostino added further damage to a never say die opponent in the Tasmanians.

SA coach keeps a tight hold on his squad, whilst Tasmania's Ken Morton is pleased with the way his side knocks the ball around.

Northern NSW and Victoria put on a good showing and one feels that the Northern boys were rather unlucky to be on the wrong end of a 3-1 deficit.

Time and again they exposed the Victorians and they should have gone in at half time with a greater lead than the goal they managed to slot away.

Victoria showed that their enthusiasm can easily be waived if opponents close them down early and put a hold on their much used upfield charges at breakneck speed.

Their goals came at strange times during the match and really their third right on the bell, did flatter an unlucky Northern side that de-

served much better for their efforts.

By miles the match of the day was the last between NSW and Queensland, with both sides keen on taking the two points at all costs.

NSW had the better of the chances with as many as four attempts cleared off the line, including a costly penalty miss right on the final whistle. The penalty was dubious but from the Queensland 'keeper's save the crowd exploded into united chorus to voice their appreciation of the result.

Queensland were on a high throughout and as usual it had all the feeling of a state of origin match.

Queensland coach Brian McNicol was quite happy with that result as their one point from the draw gives them some lee way for their loss yesterday. NSW's Vic Dalglish said that stupid little mistakes were the reason that the Light Blues didn't manage to secure the maximum points.

PROGRESSIVE POINTS TABLE: South Australia 4, Victoria 4, ACT 2, WA 2, Tasmania 2, NSW 1, Queensland 1, NTH NSW 0, Nth Territory 0.

DAY 3

WA 0 Vic 1, NNSW 10 N Territory 0, SA 2 ACT 1, NSW 5 Tas 0, Q'land bye

PRESENTATION IS DELAYED

ITALY brought its own style and sense of theatre to the presentation ceremony at the end of the World Cup final, utterly confusing winning West German captain Lothar Matthaus.

Matthaus stepped up the VIP podium after West Germany's win, expecting to be handed the trophy by Italian president Francesco Cossiga.

But the Italian organisers had other ideas.

First, the 22-man squad and team chief Franz Beckenbauer had to wait until a troop of bare-shouldered women in flowing white robes and head-dresses representing famous Roman monuments lined up either side of the podium.

Three more women in gold tiaras fashioned to spell out the word Roma filed out to the centre circle to wave huge West German flags.

As the lights in Rome's Olympic stadium dimmed and pink flares were set off around the pitch to the accompaniment of a recording of Luciano Pavarotti, the West Germans were allowed to line up for their winners' medals.

Matthaus held out his hands for the World Cup but was told to wait until all the medals had been presented.

Finally, with lasers lighting up the sky and the message "Ciao Italia, Hello USA '94"

flashing from the stadium's scoreboard screens, Matthaus was allowed to lift the trophy.

From then on the new champions held centre stage, circling the track to salute their fans pursued by scores of photographers.

National Under 16 draw

GROUP A
Victoria, Western Australia, Northern New South Wales, Queensland

GROUP B
New South Wales, South Australia, Tasmania, ACT

TUES JULY 10
9.30am Vic v WA
11.15am NSW v SA
1.30pm NNSW v Qld
3.15pm Tas v ACT

WED JULY 11
9.30am WA v Qld
11.15am Vic v NNSW
1.30pm SA v ACT
3.15pm NSW v Tas

THURS JULY 12
9.30am NSW v ACT
11.15am WA v NNSW
1.30pm Vic v Qld
3.15pm SA v Tas

FRI JULY 13
9.30am 3rd Group B v 4th Group A
11.15am 3rd Group A v 4th Group B
1.30pm 1st Group B v 2nd Group A
3.15pm 1st Group A v 2nd Group B

SAT JULY 14
9.30am Loser match 4 v Loser match 3
9.30am Winner match 4 v Winner match 3
11.15am Loser match 2 v Loser match 1
1.00pm Winner match 1 v Winner match 2
At Valentine Park, Parklea.

Illawarra's improvement

MARTIN BARNES WRITES



Chris James
Illawarra Director of Coaching

ILLAWARRA Youth League squads have been distinguishing themselves, in spite of a low key beginning.

The start of the season was not a good one for Illawarra.

The appointment of a Director of Coaching just before the season opened and a poor response from players to trials meant that preparations were far from ideal.

But gradually the teams responded well, and there is real hope for the future.

UNDER 13: Alan Maidman, the new under 13 coach, had his squad attending the Illawarra Soccer School Holiday Coaching Clinic to good effect, and it is now recording some wins.

Adrian Thompson, a State trialist, has been

consistent in goal with Nathan White and Noel Spencer doing some excellent work in defence.

David Maidman has shown touches of brilliance.

There has been a noticeable improvement in technique and competitiveness in this side since seven players spent a week under the tuition of David Lee, NSW Director of Coaching at the Academy of Sports' Talented Child programme.

Though the spirit of the boys is excellent and improvement showing, they will have to battle for every point.

UNDER 14: Both coach Alex Fleming and manager David Shepherd were reasonably confident, after retaining most of last year's squad, that a successful season was awaiting.

Both were disappointed with the response of new players from clubs. Leading to the question "where are the Illawarra talented juniors?"

With added luck and consistency the side should move up into the top four.

In defence, new acquisition Matthew

Pople has slotted in well, with Barry Jones continuing to impress with his workrate and skill.

Up front Johnathon Angelucci has shown great touches.

Eight boys from this squad have shown noticeable improvement after attending the NSW Academy of Sport.

UNDER 15: Improvement has been the name of the game in this age group, where the team has recovered from early setbacks to record good results of late.

New coach and Wolves player, Jeff Allport has been a real bonus to the Illawarra coaching staff.

Players to stand out in this squad are David Kerris, for his consistency, and the Merola twins, for their brilliance.

Officials are hopeful that the side will remain together as part of the Junior Development plans in conjunction with Wollongong Wolves.

UNDER 17: One must have the greatest admiration for the officials and players of this team after having received heavy defeats.



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AWARD RECIPIENTS AT OLD GOVERNMENT HOUSE, PARRAMATTA.
Rear: l to r: Colin Pound (Clarence River), Harry Gill (Sydney Amateurs), Harrie Denning (Sutherland Shire), Gary Hancock (Harden, South West Slopes), George Churchward (Nepean). Front: Rod Woods (Ku-ring-gai), Norm Chapman (Rutherford), Doug Edwards (Richmond Rovers, Lismore), Barbara Horley (Nepean), Lindsay Cosgrove (Southern Tablelands).



NEPEAN U/14: Paul Bentualzen, Judd Davies, Simon Davis, Brad Prew, Curevin Devries, Leon Fitzpatrick, Jason Forta, Matthew Henderson, Stephen Hurley, Craig Myers, James Picken, Steven Pettett, Greg Thomas, Brett Trazise, Ben Wright, Stuart Wright. Coach: Greg McGriskin. Manager: Mick Mahboub. Pic H. CARRASCO.



NEPEAN U/17: Simon Gilboy, Robert Holstein, Jim Sualino, Darren Tolley, Craig Sunstrom, Scott Bailey, Jason Wilson, Andrew Hunter, Bryce William, Andrew Brown, Wayne Manoney, Warren Hayward, Craig Loxley, Peter Prfanis, Mai Cocoris (absent). Coach: Graham Daley. Manager: Bob Tunks. Pic. H. CARRASCO.



NEPEAN U/15: D. McGuire, G. Lee, P. Jukic, J. Mitchell, B. Ostrowski, S. Doohan, K. Williams, C. Gilboy, R. Scott, Joey Crye, J. Zerofos, S. Wragg, J. Koimanis. Coach: J. Koimanis. Manager: S.A. Crye. Pic H. CARRASCO.

NSW Country's deserved break

THE Australian Junior Soccer Council has made a highly forward looking decision by admitting NSW Country to all National Championships under the control of the Council.

NSW Country has over 32 000 registered players affiliated to the NSW Amateur Soccer Federation.

They won the right to field their own teams mainly because their numbers are greater than any other

"Soccer State" outside Sydney according to the recently released **Bradley Report on Australian Soccer.**

John Hedison, chairman of the NSW Amateur Soccer Federation, said that the decision will have a major effect on the promotion of Soccer in the country by providing a clear career path for players by allowing them full exposure to National and NSL selectors

"Many families have been forced to move to Sydney to further promote their sons' soccer careers or have had to select another sport where country representation at the highest level was better catered for"

General Manager of the NSW Amateur Soccer Federation, Cec Buccello, stated that the addition of another team from such a large base would strengthen the competitive level of the tournaments each year and provide more opportunity for players from all States to display their abilities.

"The purpose of the National Tournaments is talent identification and an additional team of such strength will only help to ensure that the best talent is spotted for further advancement," he said

"Another benefit from this separate representation is the

further unification of the code in New South Wales. This can only benefit all concerned!"

Country Branch administrators and coaches who have been told of the decision are ecstatic at the opportunity now available to their players.

The Executive Committee of the NSW Amateur Soccer Federation are to meet in the near future to decide on the most appropriate selection and coaching procedures including changes to the extremely popular Country Representatives Programme to be able to take full advantage of this new opportunity on behalf of its country players.

Clubs

honoured
THE number of clubs that have received awards for having provided over 25 years of service to the community as soccer football clubs has now reached 22, and many more nominations are expected.

The clubs which have received a plaque from the President of the NSW Amateur Soccer Federation are: Georges River, Blaxland, Blue Mountains, St Marys Convent, St Marys Band Club, Springwood, Penrith RSL, Lismore Richmond Rovers, Lismore Soccer Association Ltd, South Cardiff, Belmont, Mitchell College, Churches United, Bathurst City Red Tops, Oberon United, Barraga, Mitchell District Soccer Association, Dubbo RSL Youth, Concord Amateur, Glebe Wanderers, Liverpool Rangers and Eden.

If you club is not listed and it has a history of at least 25 years, please let the office of the NSW Amateur Soccer Federation Ltd know so that a plaque may be organised and it can be added to the Roll of Honour.

Junior Clubs reap funds

During one of the wettest soccer seasons on record — 1989, 27 motivated Soccer Clubs joined in to participate in a World's Finest Chocolate Sales drive and between them sold 1912 cartons.

The presentation of Patrick jackets to the winning team, Earlwood Wanderers U-14, and cassette recorder to Theresa Nicola (as the top salesperson) will take place on Wednesday 18 July 1990 at 7.30pm.

The venue will be the Earlwood Wanderers Clubhouse, Earlwood Oval, Doris Avenue, Earlwood.

New Zealanders 2-2 on NSW tour

BY PAUL TURNER



TAMATEA HIGH SCHOOL, NEW ZEALAND.

Back Row: David Watson, Alan Price, Mr Paul Turner, coach, Michael Reynolds, Mr Pat McKinley, manager. Middle Row: Mrs A. Thorpe, parent, Mrs S. Graham parent, Scott Mitchell, Jason Dunnott, Jarrod Smith, Jarrod Macredie, Mark Whitehead, Stephen Ham, Mr Bill Turner, Australian tour organiser. Front Row: Malcolm Graham, Jamie Cotter, James McKinley, Glen Miller, Lennart Pettersson, Jason Webber.

TAMATEA High School from the city of Napier, New Zealand, made their first soccer tour of Australia recently.

The team was coached by Paul Turner, who is also a certificated referee, and managed by Pat McKinley.

Their first match was against the powerful Sydney School Epping Boys, who played their Bill Turner Cup side.

After a great game Epping proved a little

too strong, winning 1-0.

Next game was down the road at Murrfield where they were to record their first win of the tour.

The New Zealanders ran out eventual winners 4-2.

However, this was not without some almost disbelief on the part of the visitors as they saw rising star Jenny Ross take over as custodian for Murrfield.

Jenny had a top game as she saved some scor-

chers from the strong Tamatea forwards.

From Sydney the squad moved north to play Newcastle Grammar.

Tamatea overrun the

Novocastrians in the first half and should have led by four clear goals but bad shooting and some stout defence saw only one goal on the score sheet.

After the interval, Grammar introduced a form reversal and hammered the Tamatea defence unmercifully to eventually level the scores.

The visitors went ahead from a quick break which seemed to demoralise the home side and they conceded another goal right on full-time for a final score of 3-1.

Up the coast to Coffs Harbour and a really tough encounter against the always strong Orara High followed.

The home side won 2-0 giving Tamatea a 2 win 2 loss tour.

After a short stay on the Gold Coast they returned home and up to the time of writing have not lost a game in their domestic competition.



Sydney Olympic star, Steve Georgakis.

NSW youngsters win selection

NSW squads have been announced for the for the 1990 National Championships.

The under 13 titles will be in Darwin from September 28/October 7, and the under 14s in Launceston from September 8/17.

In the present squads are

Grade 13: A. Thompson (Illawarra), S. Jurd, M. O'Shea, R. Gomez, N. Bosevski, S. Riches (St George), A. McDermott (Mt Pritchard), J. Morgan (Sutherland), P. Bilokapic (Syd Croatia), M. Meliak, H. Foxe (Blacktown City), D. Bloor (Gladesville), S. Raynor

(Macarthur), D. Zilhoti, D. Huxley (Melita). Train on: V Hunter (St George), D. Murdoch (South Dists)

Coach: J. Haynes. Manager: J. Hedison. Trainer: F. Wilson.

Grade 14: L. McGuire (Bankstown), F. Navaro, C. Gibson, L. Trajevski, R. Plesa, A. Senjuk (St George), S. Henderson, M. Kovacs, K. Smith, I. Polari (Sutherland), S. Lewis (Melita), A. Smith (Gladesville), S. Kapsalis, J. Nikos (Syd Olympic), S. Tessuro (Marconi), J. Angelucci (Illawarra)

Coach: G. Ankudinoff. Manager: V. Balzan. Trainer: F. Wilson

Guy Rigby seeks the big time

FRENCHVILLE midfielder, Guy Rigby, has left Rockhampton to further his soccer career with Brisbane Premier League club, Brisbane City.

Rigby, a regular in Queensland under age teams, came to prominence when named as a shadow player for the Australian U16 team that participated in the 1987 World Cup.

Since then he has gone from strength to strength as a regular in the Frenchville first team and the Rock-

hampton senior representative side.

The recent match between Rockhampton and English tourists Charlton Athletic was the final inducement to Rigby to set his sights on an attempt to play National League.

Rigby is not the only player expected to move in the near future with offers expected to be made to others.

Jason Wyer, another player who is expected to seek a move south capped a good couple of months for him by being named Coca-Cola Sports Star of the Week after his performance against Charlton Athletic.

Penalty Power at Italia '90

BY MIKE JOHNSON



SERGIO GOYCOCHEA — penalty stopper extraordinary of Italia '90.

Penalties!

These have been the key in the remarkably even 1990 World Cup.

How much have teams practised their penalties between games?

It would be really interesting to know how much time each national coach set aside for their players to practise penalties.

How many shots from the penalty spot did each World Cup goalkeeper have to face in order to practise his skills in stopping penalties?

At the end of last season my team, Sydney's Southern Districts, were involved in the finals with drawn games to be decided on penalties.

We set aside about 20 minutes in each of two training sessions to practise penalties.

It wasn't sufficient time for us to turn players who normally don't take penalties and a goalkeeper who hadn't faced many penalties, into proficient performers in the art of penalty shooting and penalty stopping — we lost on penalties.

It was noticeable in the penalty shoot-outs between Italy and Argentina and England and West Germany, that three of the goalkeepers were very good at picking the right way to dive.

These three were Sergio Goycochea (Argentina), Peter Shilton (England) and Bodo Illgner (West

Germany).

Italy's Walter Zenga, who had gone 450 minutes without conceding a World Cup goal, proved to be not so efficient against penalties.

Some goalkeepers are definitely more efficient than their counterparts against penalties.

Usually those 'keepers who do well, work to a system that helps them pick the side the penalty kicker will place the ball.

Argentina's Goycochea is in that category.

He is poor on catching, but good on shot-stopping and excellent at reading which side of goal the penalty kicker is going for.

Goycochea made a

vital stop against Faruk Hadzigeorgic of Yugoslavia to give Argentina a 3-2 win on penalties over Yugoslavia.

Against Italy, Goycochea read the penalties well again and stopped vital, hard hit, well placed penalties by Italy's Donadoni and Aldo Serena to take Argentina into the World Cup final.

Both goalkeepers, Shilton and Illgner, picked the penalties well in the England-West Germany shoot-out.

Shilton did not move as early as some goalkeepers do on penalties.

This allowed him time to pick which side the West Germans

were going for.

However, each time the shots were well hit and he was unable to reach them, or have time to get a hand on the ball.

Illgner read England's penalties well, but Lineker, Beardsley and Platt who all take penalties for their club sides, were too good for him.

Illgner's save with his legs, when diving away from the ball, hit by the normally reliable Pearce may have sent England's next spot-taker Chris Waddle into shock because he missed by the proverbial mile and that took a somewhat fortunate West Germany into the final.

Which brings us to temperament at the penalty spot.

Confidence that you will score is crucial to the make-up of a successful penalty taker.

Some players like to take penalties for the glory that it brings, yet are not really suited for the job — even though their kicking skills are sound.

German captain Lothar Matthaus is unsurpassed at the penalty spot if one can judge by his outstanding penalties in this World Cup.

Confident, powerful, accurate — these are the prime qualities for the penalty taker.

Matthaus possesses all three par excellence.

So, so as this article is written, it is West Germany to play Argentina in the final.

Argentina is not a good team, probably one of the less able to make a World Cup final in recent years.

They improved against Italy and will probably play well against West Germany.

Nevertheless, Argentina remains a below standard team to reach this level.



Yet all of us know that it can beat West Germany.

This then helps give us an indication of the standard of the West German team, which also lacks class.

West Germany plays too many defenders.

Only two of its players, Thomas Hassler and Pierre Littbarski, can be classed as creative and innovative, and they have never played together in this World Cup.

Coach Franz Beckenbauer, so creative and skilful himself in midfield and at sweeper in the West German team of the 60s and 70s, seems power-struck as a coach.

He seems to prefer power and strength to creativity.

Certainly, his team does not have the right balance of both.

The England team did

Even though, for several reasons, it never played to its potential, I always felt England could win this World Cup.

There has been a levelling of standards in the 1990 World Cup, with the top nations coming down and the previously lower nations coming up.

There is some hope for Australia in that assessment.

NSW reps

MEMBERS of the NSW U15 squad who competed at the National Championships

Soner Omac (Apia), Frano Jambrek (Croatia), Eduardo Pena (Apia), Richie Munoz (Marconi), Shane Borg (St George Assoc), Fabio Macolino (St George Fed), Darren Iocca (Marconi), Damon Thompson (Blacktown City), Christian Berios (St George Fed), Lincoln Thomas (Western Branch), Dominic Usalj (St George Fed), Paul Dee (Capt) (Sydney Olympic), David Thomas (St George Assoc), Tony Josevski (St George Fed), Lorenzo Campagna (St George Assoc), Jason Tigani (Marconi).

Coach: Vic Dalgleish.

ACT LEAGUE

As at 4/7/90

Belconnen United 1 Weston Creek 0, Canberra City Concordia 0 Juventus 3, University of Canberra 4 Tuggeranong United 2, Defence Academy 0 Canberra Croatia 4

	P	W	D	L	F	Pts
Juventus	12	8	3	1	31	10
C. City Concordia	12	8	2	2	25	15
Belconnen Utd	12	5	4	2	22	13
Tuggeranong Utd	12	4	5	3	28	13
Canberra Croatia	12	6	0	6	29	12
University of Can.	12	3	4	5	25	10
Weston Creek	12	2	3	7	15	7
Defence Acad	12	0	1	11	7	1

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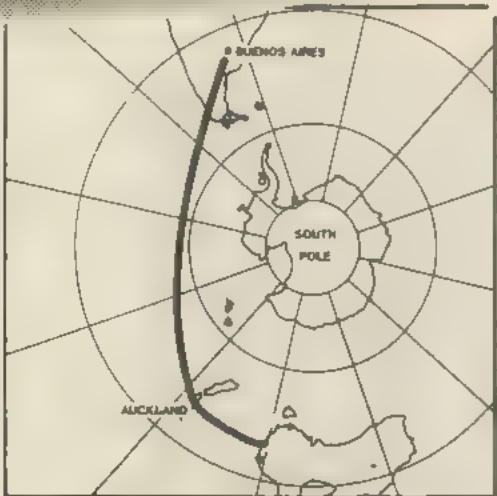
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Parity name of the game

BY LOU GAUGHAN

THE 1990 World Cup has turned into a championship of parity.

With many experienced players in every team, the play was dictated by conservative tactics instead of bold attacks.

Playing to avoid losing rather than making all-out efforts to win was the typical scenario of a match at this World Cup championship.

As a result, almost any team — even a rank outsider — played on an equal footing with the powerhouse sides.

The levelling effect prompted Brazil to abandon its usual flair in favour of a more deliberate, Europe style of attack.

The result was elimination in the second round.

Cameroun, relying on remarkable speed and team spirit, confounded negative forecasts by going all the way to the quarter-finals, where it very nearly upset England before falling 3-2 in extra time.

No other African team had ever gone farther than the second round.

The tournament slate shows these stunning results:

★ Cameroun shocked defending champion Argentina 1-0 in the tournament opener for the greatest World Cup upset in history.

★ Costa Rica upended Scotland, also by a 1-0 score, causing Britons to wince at another soccer icon shattered.

★ Egypt held European champion Holland to a 1-1 draw.

★ Heavily favoured Italy squeaked by Ireland 1-0 and felt lucky to escape into the World Cup semi-finals, where in an upset they lost to Argentina.

Parity also meant that goal scoring was at a low ebb, averaging just over two per match.

Some of the greatest stars were "shut out" by tenacious defences.

and no less than 14 matches have been decided by 1-0 scores, and another nine have

ended 2-1.

Only six matches could be termed "blow-outs", with three or four goal winning margins.

Czechoslovakia crushed the United States 5-1 and West Germany did the same to the United Arab Emirates for the biggest victories.

Whenever the so-called soccer giants from Europe and South America played each other at this World Cup, the harvest of goals was meagre indeed.

A few examples: Argentina 1 Brazil 0; Spain 2 Belgium 1; Holland 0 England 0; Italy 2 Uruguay 0; Argentina 1 Italy 1.

Various explanations are given for the goal drought: packed defences to protect the goal; poor finishing by attackers who lack killer instincts around the net; a reliance on defence and counterattack to avoid being caught out of position in the opponents' half.

There is another explanation: soccer players across the globe are getting better, their conditioning and skills becoming more equal. Coaching strategies are shared, and defence is the byword.

Ireland, a team without stars, seemed to epitomise the upstarts' ability to play at the same level as the favourites.

The Irish scored only two goals in five matches at the World Cup, but gave opponents fits with a stalwart defence and fine conditioning.

Even teams with great attackers found themselves stymied by a well-designed game plan.

Dutch aces Ruud Gullit and Marco van Basten were unable to prevent their team from elimination in the second round.

Gullit managed only one goal and van Basten none before the Dutch were knocked out by West Germany.

Brazil's Careca, Spain's Emilio Butragueno and Uruguay's Ruben Sosa all failed to live up to their potential in Italy despite their superstar reputations. None of their teams advanced beyond the

second round.

It was left to lesser-known players like Tomas Skuhravy of Czechoslovakia, and Roger Milla of Cameroun and Italy's Salvatore Schillaci to set the pace.

Emotions ran high

WHEN the world's most popular sport holds its global championship, emotions run high and violence seems inevitable.

This year's World Cup tournament was no exception.

In India, a mob pummelled electric workers because the power went out during World Cup matches on television.

Nationalist fervour sparked a bottle-throwing clash along the West German-Netherlands border hours after the countries played a tense game.

A young Italian celebrating his team's victory fell from a car and suffered a fatal head injury, while in Egypt, a middle-aged man hanged himself when his team was eliminated.

While the focus of the tournament is on winners and losers and the accompanying euphoria and disappointment, human tragedy seems to mix in.

Nothing in Italy, however, approached the violence in Detroit after the Pistons team won the US Professional basketball championship last month.

Seven people died in what was called a victory "celebration".

Some incidents related to the World Cup have been predictable; others have been bizarre.

A three-bus accident on Sardinia killed an English fan and injured two dozen people.

In Bologna, an English fan was hit by a car and killed.

A 17-year-old Italian fan died in Merano after suffering a fractured skull when he fell from a car while celebrating Italy's 2-0 victory over Czechoslovakia.

Dutch and West



Germans hurled rocks and bottles at each other across their border following West Germany's 2-1 victory over Holland that eliminated the Dutch from the tournament.

In India, news reports said a power outage during World Cup matches darkened television screens, prompting enraged fans to gather at electric company offices and beat workers. India has a thriving soccer program that is not represented at the World Cup.

The Italian news agency NASA reported an Austrian fan suffered a heart attack when his team gave up the game's only goal to Italy in its World Cup opener.

And in Egypt, two Cairo newspapers reported a government employee hanged himself after the Egyptian team failed to qualify for the second round.

The newspapers said Sayed Abdel-Aal, 40, left a note that said his life ended with Egypt's elimination.

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ROGER MILLA — his sparkling Cameroun team stole the limelight at Italia '90 and proved that parity had arrived at the World Cup.

Falcao seeks Brazil post

BRAZIL must be much better organised to have a chance at winning the next World Cup, says former World Cup star Paulo Roberto Falcao, who may be in line to replace Sebastiao Lazaroni as team coach.

Falcao, who played in Brazil's 1982 and 1986 World Cup teams, attributed the team's poor showing this year to a lack of synchronisation between defence and midfield, and between midfield and attack.

"The team did not play compactly, as it should have," he said. "Lazaroni's defensive scheme, to work, needed more training and more speed."

"The team was always very slow," he said.

Falcao, 36, said he has not been asked by the Brazilian Football Confederation to coach the next team, nor would he comment on whether he would accept if asked.

He said the next coach would only succeed if he could have four years to work with the team, without an obligation to win



friendly matches and without pressure from football clubs.

"You can't set up a team overnight," Falcao said.

"We need to return to having a tactical organisation ... The teams today are generally very well armed tactically," Falcao said in an interview with the Brazilian news-weekly "Veja".

Recent news reports tipped Falcao as one of two favourites to take over as coach of Brazil.

GALA GAME

A glittering cast from soccer's past served up a feast of goals in aid of United Nations famine relief in Rome.

A team of European veterans beat their Americas' counterparts 10-7 in the charity game and delighted around 8,000 fans starved of World Cup goals.

Paolo Rossi, hero of Italy's 1982 World Cup triumph, and Brazilian Zico struck four goals apiece.

Australia's Craig Johnston came on as a late sub for the Americans.



The SBS-TV Sydney studio panel for the semi-final between England and West Germany — host Andy Paschalidis, Charlie Yankos and Rale Rasic.

Naples' dilemma over Maradona

DIEGO Maradona's magic for once didn't totally bewitch fans of his club side Napoli when he led Argentina to victory against Italy in the semi-finals.



There is no debate for passionate Neapolitans forced to choose between the captain of their club and the love of their country when the holders met the hosts in Naples.

"I take my hat off to Maradona when he's playing for Napoli. But when he plays against Italy he has got to lose. There's no other way," said a soccer flag seller in the Naples business district.

"Of course, I'm a Napoli fan but first and foremost I'm an Italian."

Maradona, though sometimes at odds with Napoli supporters, has built a following verging on the religious in Naples, where love of soccer offers an escape from the harsh realities of everyday life.

He led Napoli to its first league title in 1987, a year after his starring role in Argentina's World Cup triumph in Mexico, and its second championship last season.

The team built around the mercurial Maradona, who joined Napoli from Barcelona for \$7.5 million in 1984, also won the Italian Cup in 1987 and the UEFA Cup in 1989.

With each triumph, out came the Diego-style curly wigs and

number 10 team shirts, candles were lit at shrines to the stocky hero and statues of saints and famous Italians were dressed and painted to resemble Maradona.

That all counted for nothing in the San Paolo Stadium where Napoli supporters were not to be seen dead with a sky blue and white flag.

The colours are shared by Napoli and Argentina.

"What do I care about Maradona?" asked one Napoli fan, Giovanni Russo, running the back of his hand beneath his chin in a Neapolitan gesture that signifies total disinterest.



"Napoli is one thing, Italy is another," he said.

Naples had been uncharacteristically muted in the national festivities of Italy's World Cup victories, largely shunning the horn-blowing motorcades of overjoyed fans that have choked the streets of virtually every city.

But Maradona proved he was the King of Naples when he led Argentina to a stunning win against the Italians.

With Italy out of the World Cup, his beloved Neapolitans were free to cheer their idol in the final.



Czechoslovakian target man Tomas Skuhravy — off to try his luck in Italian football.



Claudio Caniggia creates havoc in Italy's defence. The Argentine ace scored the equaliser in the semi-final in Naples.

Italy mounted biggest security operation

THE World Cup has shown that a huge security effort can stifle mayhem by even the most fearsome soccer hooligans, but only at the price of turning Italy's cities into heavily defended fortresses.

Italy has mounted the biggest security operation in the history of soccer to defend the World Cup against a feared assault by England's notorious fans and hooligans from other countries.

In every place where trouble was anticipated, the mobilisation of thousands of riot police either snuffed out violence as soon as it began or prevented it happening at all.

But serious problems did occur frequently when police were, by their own admission — caught unawares.

The first serious trouble of the World Cup did not come where it was expected, from English fans in Sardinia, but from hundreds of drunken West Germans running wild in Milan on the third day of the competition.

The local police chief admitted he had not expected trouble where it erupted, in front of Milan's graceful Gothic cathedral.

The worst violence so far in the competition did come from English fans but not at a match venue.

It exploded in Rimini, where drunken English supporters

attacked a crowd of locals celebrating Italy's victory over Uruguay in the eighth finals.

Here again, police chief Alessandro Fersini admitted he had been surprised by the level of violence. Police reinforcements had to be rushed in from neighbouring towns.

In every place where Italy was ready, the mere presence of rank upon rank of tough-looking riot police, armed with batons or even rifles was usually enough to deter any sustained attempt at hooliganism.

In Cagliari, where severe World Cup violence was predicted for six months, crushing forces of riot police moved in quickly to smother trouble from stone-throwing hooligans before the first round match between England and Holland on June 16.

The police made it abundantly clear they were ready to deal ruthlessly with rowdies, swinging their clubs freely and firing tear gas in what was clearly intended as an early demonstration of their resolve.

After the first outbreak of violence in Milan, no more trouble was seen from

West German fans.

On later visits they were escorted everywhere by police who stripped them of alcohol and anything that could be used as a weapon.

No major violence was seen either at England's last match in Cagliari or their second round victory against Belgium in Bologna though some English louts attempted to attack Belgian fans at the end of regulation time.

But Italy was only able to keep the situation under control by mobilising every available policeman — a total World Cup security garrison of 45,000 men.

Years of planning, training and collaboration with foreign police forces went in to organising defences against the hooligan assault.

The costs have not been made available but by any standards must have been huge.

FIFA officials said it would be impossible to organise greater security.

"FIFA does not believe that it would be possible to go beyond the measures of security imposed in Italy because of the costs

and organisation involved," said spokesman Guido Tognoni.

"The measures taken in Italy have dimensions never reached in the history of soccer. This is a new element in the organisation of a World Cup and this situation is of concern to the whole football community," he said.

His concern was understandable.

Soccer-crazy Italy was prepared to pay the price of staging the World Cup, including putting its cities under siege.

But even in Italy resentment emerged.

On two occasions, police have had to baton charge hundreds of Italians to keep them away from English fans.

FIFA is clearly worried about whether other, less soccer-mad countries would be prepared to pay the price of controlling hooligans and this may be why suggestions have begun to be heard that England should be banned from future World Cups altogether.



Italy's Nicola Berti in action — copped two yellow cards and missed Italy's matches against Ireland and Argentina.



Quicksilver Klinsmann brought panache

QUICKSILVER striker Jürgen Klinsmann has brought punch and panache to West Germany's World Cup team.

Klinsmann charging in full cry towards goal or rising above defenders for a lethal header has been among the most exhilarating sights in the World Cup.

He produced one of the outstanding performances of the tournament in the second round defeat of Holland as lone front-runner after the first-half expulsion of partner Rudi Voller.

The tall, blond marksman with the elastic stride flicked home the first goal to take his tournament tally to three — a goal he dedicated to "my mate Rudi Voller" — and blasted a superb drive against the post.

He ran himself into the ground, came off with cramp in both calves near the end, and later joked: "I didn't get into the bath afterwards. I'd have fallen asleep."

Team chief Franz Beckenbauer said: "I've never seen Jürgen Klinsmann play so well, run so much and take on such responsibility. It was a special performance."

Czechoslovak team boss Jozef Venglos, whose defenders had the unenviable task of trying to contain him, was no less effusive in his praise.

"As far as I'm concerned he's the best player of the World Cup so far," he said.

Klinsmann has revelled in the San Siro Stadium — his home pitch since he joined Inter Milan a year ago and West Germany's World Cup stage for five matches in a row.

Revelled

He is a focus of wild adulation among fans, as was graphically illustrated at West Germany's opening game by a banner proclaiming "Jürgen is God".

West Germany's Footballer of the Year in 1988, he moved from VfB Stuttgart to Inter last year and is a major star with a highly marketable clean-cut and dynamic image in the big-money world of Italian soccer.

But wealth and adulation do not appear to have gone to the head of the baker's son from Goeppingen, who takes a detached view of the game and tries to guard his privacy.

He was irritated that a West German television crew had filmed outside his house in Cernobbio on Lake Como, and is disconcerted about the media attention his fame has inflicted on his parents.

"Every person has his private sphere. For me it's my own four walls. Football and all that goes on around it isn't worth it," he says.

Klinsmann said he had developed his game and widened his

experience during his first year in Italy, where he had made the effort to learn the language and adopt to a different way of life.

"This year in Italy has given me a powerful push forward. It's difficult for a striker to distinguish himself but I've succeeded. And I've developed on the mental plane, not just football," he said.

"In Italy football is incredibly hard. It's more difficult to score goals than in Germany because it's so defensive," he said, proud to have struck 13 goals last season in the Italian league which he says is the toughest in the world.

"In Italy they play a different type of game with different tactics."

"You have to win the match — it doesn't matter about the score."

Passions

National passions ran high in the World Cup but Klinsmann, two weeks short of his 26th birthday, comes across as a true cosmopolitan, patiently fielding questions in German, Italian and English.

He is proud of his friendship with Dutch captain Ruud Gullit, with whom he exchanged shirts after the Dutch-German match.

"He's not only an exceptional footballer. I admire him not only on the pitch but as a man."

"If football is a business with all the media attention, he still tries to have fun and bring joy into the game," Klinsmann said, adding that his own approach was similar.

He is magnanimous towards rivals, describing Marco van Basten as "simply the best

striker in the world" — shortly before eclipsing the Dutch star on the pitch.

Van Basten was unlucky to hit a low point during the World Cup, Klinsmann said, but his own preparations had been geared to the tournament and he had struck top form at

the right moment.

Sport is not everything for Klinsmann — "I'm not one who can talk ceaselessly about football" — and though he says soccer will always play its part, he does not plan to stay in the professional game after his playing career is over.

What crowds?

THE 1990 World Cup has officially set a new attendance record, but that figure is hugely misleading.

Organisers have announced match crowds as per the number of tickets sold at each game, not the actual amount of people inside the various stadiums.

All tickets for Italia '90 were pre-sold and for the first time at the finals intending spectators were not able to walk up and purchase tickets at the gates before the kick-off.

This resulted in big gaps in most grounds. Even the semi-final in Naples between Italy and Argentina did not draw a full house, and neither did the Turin one.

Italia '90 confirmed that Italians are not soccer lovers in the true sense. They don't care much about the game, only their club and national teams.

FIFA will have to look carefully into the method of ticket sales in future finals.

Row upon row of empty terraces does the image of the game no good when a global television audience of 20 billion is watching.

The official total attendance for Italia '90 may be almost 2.5 million tickets sold, but you can deduct about 20 percent from that to get the true figure of people who actually went through the turnstiles.

— LOU GAUTIER

FIFA acknowledges emerging Africa

ROME — Cameroun and Costa Rica let their play do the talking for soccer's emerging nations during the World Cup, and FIFA president Joao Havelange listened.

After Cameroun rode one upset after another into the quarterfinals and then came so close to eliminating England to prove African soccer had come of age, Havelange gave in to Africa's demand for a third representative in the World Cup roster of 24.

"Africa will automatically get one more place," said Havelange. "It deserves it."

"That place will be taken away from Europe," said Havelange, after four of eight first-round losers came from Europe.

The development also bolsters soccer's claim it is a truly global sport.

Costa Rica stunned Sweden and Scotland to send them packing and underlined a shift in the world balance toward the so-called Third World nations.

Countries in Asia, Central and North America also will get a chance for more participants through a special qualifying series with

South American and European nations and presumably that included Oceania.

But Africa gets a straight place, testimony to two decades of hard work for a continent troubled by political and economic problems.

In 1970, Africa for the first time had its own qualifying group after earlier attempts to get into the finals failed.

Morocco made a memorable debut for Africa when it led West Germany 1-0 at half-time before losing 2-1. It finished its group last but earned a draw with Bulgaria in Mexico.

By that time, Roger Milla already was honing his soccer skills in Cameroun.

But four years later, Zaire turned African soccer into the laughing stock of the World Cup, losing 9-0 to Yugoslavia on its way to three straight losses in West Germany.

Milla, meanwhile,

was blooming, picking up the trophy for African Player of the Year in 1976.

Tunisia went to Argentina in 1978, picking up Africa's first success, a 3-1 win over Mexico. To cap that, it held defending champion West Germany to a goalless draw.

Next it was Milla's turn. Cameroun did not lose a match in Spain in its group.

The groundswell of African soccer already showed when Algeria beat West Germany 2-1 in the first round.

Morocco came back to Mexico to prove Africa's increasing strength, and an African nation won a first-round group for the first time.

Milla, 38 now, capped all this at Italia '90 when he led Cameroun with four goals into the quarterfinals where he made the two goals against England.

"Africa has soccer nations as good as any other," said David



Cameroun's Cyrille Mekanaky — his team's performance was rewarded by FIFA.

Phiri, chairman of the Zambian Soccer Federation.

He should know. Zambia whipped Italy's Olympic team 4-1 at the Seoul Olympics, but its talented players didn't even get a chance in Italy, falling in Africa's tough pre-qualifying rounds.



Saving the champs... Sergio Goycochea saves Aldo Serena's penalty and celebrates.

ARGENTINA v ITALY 1-1 (4-3 pen)

Azzurris pay the penalty

NAPLES — Argentina did the sensational when they reached their second successive World Cup final and ended Italy's dreams of glory in a penalty shoot-out.

A semi-final of almost unbearable tension finished 1-1 and when extra-time could not produce a winner, goalkeeper Sergio Goycochea made two saves to put the defending champions through on penalties.

Goycochea, who only came into the side when Nery Pumpido broke his leg in the group match against the Soviet Union, guessed right twice as he kept out shots by Roberto Donadoni and Aldo Serena, just as he had done in the quarter-final shoot-out against Yugoslavia.

It had been an absorbing, if ill-tempered tactical battle, and one which the Italians could, and should, have sewn up before the end of 90 minutes.

French referee Michel Vautrot booked five Argentine players and sent off Ricardo Giusti in extra-time for a behind the play foul on Roberto Baggio, which he hotly disputed, claiming the Italian had taken a dive.

Once Salvatore Schillaci had put Italy ahead in the first half, it had looked a formality for the hosts, but Argentina produced their best performance so far to come back and level through Claudio Caniggia.

Schillaci, the sensation of the World Cup, put Italy ahead after just 17 minutes with his fifth goal of the tournament.

He started and finished the move which led to the goal, playing the ball in towards Giannini, who collected a return pass from De Napoli, flicked it over the defence and headed it on for Vialli.

The recalled striker's close-range shot was only parried by goalkeeper Goycochea, leaving Schillaci, following up, to crash the ball home in what looked like an offside position.

Everything was going according to the script for Italy, as goalkeeper Walter Zenga set a new World Cup finals record by completing 517 minutes without conceding a goal until Caniggia put the ball past him.

In all international matches, he had kept a clean sheet for 935 minutes.

The previous World Cup record was 500 minutes, set by England's Peter Shilton from 1982 to 1986.

Then Maradona and Burruchaga combined to free Olarticochea on the left and Caniggia rose at the near post to beat Ferri and Zenga to the ball and sent a glancing header into the far corner for a stunning equaliser.

But there was still no hint of the drama to come as Italy pressed forward, sending on Aldo Serena for Vialli and Roberto Baggio for Giannini, but it was Roberto Donadoni who took much of the punishment being dished out by the Argentines, receiving special attention from Olarticochea.

Luigi De Agostini missed a glorious chance to win the match with eight minutes left.

He took too long to shoot after being set clear on the left by Donadoni and Goycochea blocked his shot.

An interesting aspect of the game was the less than passionate support the Italian team enjoyed in Maradona's adopted city.

Though the crowd still barracked for the Italians, it was nothing like the vociferous support Italy had received in its five previous games in Rome — and several pro-Maradona banners and signs were to be seen on the terraces.

ARGENTINA: Goycochea, Serrizuela, Ruggeri, Simon, Basualdo (Battista 100m), Burruchaga, Maradona, Giusti, Olarticochea, Caniggia, Calderon (Troglio 46m).

ITALY: Zenga, Baresi, Bergomi, Ferri, Maldini, De Agostini, De Napoli, Giannini (Baggio 73m), Vialli (Serena 71m), Donadoni, Schillaci.

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WEST GERMANY v ENGLAND 1-1 (4-3 pen)

Another dreaded shoot-out

TURIN — West Germany overcame England in a nerve-shredding penalty shoot-out to set up a second successive World Cup final against Argentina.

West German goalkeeper Bodo Illgner saved England's fourth spot-kick from defender Stuart Pearce and watched the next from Chris Waddle go sailing over his crossbar at the end of a very even semi-final battle.

Gary Lineker, who had saved England with two extra-time penalties against Cameroon in the quarter-finals, had given England a lifeline with a goal 10 minutes from the end of normal time.

Andreas Brehme broke a goalless deadlock on the hour from a free-kick but England deserved their reprieve after a spirited performance against the highly-rated West Germans.

West Germany twice hit the woodwork in extra-time but England survived to force the second semi-final penalty shoot-out after Argentina's triumph over Italy in the sudden-death lottery 24 hours earlier.

England had the best of the first half action but after 45 minutes of more or less sustained pressure still went in without a goal to show for their efforts.

The Germans played with more cohesion in

the second half, but their big-name Inter Milan stars Lothar Matthaus and Jurgen Klinsmann were somewhat out of sorts and the loss of the injured Rudi Voller in the 38th minute seemed to unsettle them.

Would you believe it was only in the 95th minute that Klinsmann broke through and looked like scoring?

The official estimate of the crowd was 64,500 but as the match kicked off there were huge open gaps in all three tiers of the spacious new Stadio delle Alpi as many of those who had purchased tickets again failed to show.

In several sections of the ground, the planned segregation appeared to have broken down as English and German fans mingled freely, their rival flags waving side by side.

West German team chief Franz Beckenbauer said: "It was a very difficult game, but an attractive one. Both teams had a very tough quarter-final and there was a very short time to recover."

"Both teams deserve all our compliments. They both played

beyond their limits and then there was the thrill of the penalties.

"But I would say that our victory was well-deserved because for long periods we were the dominant team. I would say it was just, though there was also luck."

England coach Bobby Robson said: "There is not much we can do. It is over for us. We have played a major part in the tournament, we have done very well to get to the semi-finals and we can go home feeling very proud."

Asked about the cruel nature of penalty shoot-outs, he said: "When you get to the four best teams in the world there is not going to be very much difference between those teams."

"It is just the ability of one individual to do the one thing which is going to break the deadlock. It was always close, but there it is."

WEST GERMANY: Illgner, Brehme, Kohler, Augenthaler, Buchwald, Thon, Hassler (Reuter 67m), Berthold, Voller (Riedle 38m), Matthaus, Klinsmann.

ENGLAND: Shilton, Pearce, Parker, Wright, Walker, Butcher (Steven 70m), Gascoigne, Platt, Beardsley, Waddle, Lineker.

SCORERS: Brehme 60m for West Germany; Lineker 80m for England. In shoot-out: Brehme, Matthaus, Rie-



SCHILLACI BLACK-OUT

THE residents of the Sicilian city of Messina, where World Cup hero Salvatore Schillaci played in the Second Division, had a double dose of bad luck.

Not only did the city where Schillaci came of age in his soccer career have to swallow the bitter pill of Italy's semi-

final defeat by Argentina — they could not watch the match on television either.

A blackout cut electricity to most of the city before the match began and power was not restored until it was over.

The Messinese, for whom Schillaci has become a virtual patron saint, listened to the match on radios.

PETER SHILTON — brilliant, but unable to save England in the shoot-out.

die, Thon for West Germany; Lineker, Beardsley, Platt for England.

YELLOW CARDS: Brehme 110m for West Germany; Parker 65m, Gascoigne 100m for England.

REFEREE: Jose Wright (Brazil). CROWD: 64,500.

STATS

WEST GERMANY: Free kicks 16, Corners 10, Shots on target 8, Shots off target 10.

ENGLAND: Free kicks 13, Corners 9, Shots on target 11, Shots off target 5.



LOTHAR MATTHAUS — in a victorious mood after winning the World Cup.

WEST GERMANY v ARGENTINA 1-0

Disputed penalty wins the World Cup for Germany

ROME — West Germany are the new World Cup holders after beating Argentina 1-0

in one of the most bad-tempered finals in the 60 year history of the tournament.

It was a disappointing end to the tournament and it was sadly fitting that a match which saw the first two men ever sent off in a final should be won by a disputed penalty.

The only goal came five minutes from the end when Andreas

Brehme scored from the spot after Mexican referee Edgardo Codesal decided Roberto Sensini had fouled Rudi Voller although he appeared to have played the ball.

It was sweet revenge for the Germans, beaten 3-2 in the final in Mexico City four years ago, but a bitter defeat for Argentine captain Diego Maradona.

He was booked and ended the match in tears as 80,000 fans jeered and whistled him off the field.

The two men to get their marching orders were both from Argentina — defender Pedro Monzon in the 64th minute and striker Gustavo Dezotti four minutes from the end.

Monzon went for a foul on Jurgen Klinsmann which left the German striker writhing on the ground although the challenge did not look dangerous, but then play-acting has become a Klinsmann trademark.

Dezotti was sent off after a clash with Jurgen Kohler which saw the German hard man holding his face after time-wasting.

The Germans deserved to win despite playing below their best for, with Italy, they were the best footballing side of the tournament.

They also became the first European side to beat South Amer-

ican opposition in six finals.

And Franz Beckenbauer, who now hands over to his assistant Berti Vogts, became the first man to captain and manage a winning side.

He led West Germany to their 2-1 win over Holland in the 1974 final in Munich.

Voller and Klinsmann had chances

Lothar Matthaus was unable to take command of the midfield and Voller and Klinsmann were well marked by the Argentina defenders, allowing goalie Goycochea a relatively comfortable 90 minutes.

But in the end, German power, with the help of the man in the middle, prevailed.

So West Germany

matches.

It was Germany's last tournament as a divided country. In four years' time they will go to the United States as a single, united Germany, to defend the World Cup.

WEST GERMANY: Illgner, Brehme, Kohler, Augenthaler, Buchwald, Berthold (Reuter 73m), Matthaus, Hassler, Littbarski, Voller, Klinsmann. ARGENTINA: Goycochea, Lorenzo, Sensini, Serrizuela, Ruggeri (Monzon 46m, sent



PEDRO TROGLIO — his hard work counted for naught as Argentina failed to retain their trophy.

enough to sew it up long before Brehme's penalty, but the German initiative was stifled by Argentina's defensive wall.

They pulled everyone behind the ball at the slightest sign of danger and did not produce a single shot worthy of the name throughout 90 minutes.

Without the suspended Claudio Caniggia they looked an average side.

They scrambled through the last two rounds on penalty shoot-outs against Yugoslavia and Italy.

In both those matches goalkeeper Sergio Goycochea, pitched into the fray when Nery Pumpido broke his leg in their second game against the Soviet Union.

Argentina, minus four regulars, were always going to find the going tough, but the way the Germans played as the match progressed, they were still in with a chance and the game looked set for extra-time until the referee struck with his "imaginative" penalty decision.

join Brazil and Italy as the only country to win the trophy three times.

They lost the 1982 final to Italy and were beaten by Argentina four years ago.

Their 15 goals made

off 64m), Simon Sasuato, Burruchaga (Calderon 53m), Maradona, Troglio, Dezotti (sent off 85m).

SCORERS: Brehme 85 (pen) for West Germany.

YELLOW CARD: Voller 53m for West Germany; Dezotti 6m, Serrizuela 85m, Maradona 86m for Argentina.

RED CARDS: Monzon 64m, Dezotti 85m for Argentina.

REFEREE: Edgardo Codesal (Mexico). CROWD: 73,603.

STATS

ARGENTINA: Free kicks 19, Corners 2, Shots on target 0, Shots off target 2.

WEST GERMANY: Free kicks 21, Corners 2, Shots on target 2, Shots off target 12.

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SCORERS: Caniggia 70m for Argentina; Schillaci 17m for Italy. In penalty shoot-out: Serrizuela, Burruchaga, Olarticochea, Maradona for Argentina; Baresi, Baggio, De Agostini for Italy.

YELLOW CARDS: Giusti 30m, Ruggeri 71m, Olarticochea 76m, Caniggia 83m for Argentina; Giannini 22m for Italy.

RED CARD: Giusti 105m (two yellow cards) for Argentina.

REFEREE: Michel Vautrot (France). CROWD: 59,978.

STATS

ARGENTINA: Free kicks 29, Corners 5, Shots on target 5, Shots off target 5.

ITALY: Free kicks 30, Corners 5, Shots on target 5, Shots off target 6.

Italy third

ITALY sealed third place in the World Cup, beating England 2-1 in the play-off match in Bari.

In a thrilling, open, game the Italians took the lead in the 70th minute when Roberto Baggio capitalised on a rare but dreadful mistake by goalkeeper Peter Shilton and fired home from close range.

England staged another great fight back though and 10 minutes later David Platt equalised with a bullet header from a great cross from Australian-born Tony Torigo.

Six minutes from time Paul Parker brought down Salvatore Schilla-



Roberto Baggio

ci and the Italian striker converted the spot kick himself for the winner to confirm Italy's third place.

Peter Shilton announced his retire-

ment after the game.

ITALY: Zenga, Baresi, Bergomi, De Agostini (Berli 67m), Ferrara, Maldini, Vierchowod, Ancelotti, Giannini (Ferri 89m), Baggio, Schillaci.

ENGLAND: Shilton, Stevens, Walker, Parker, Wright (Waddle 73m), Dorigo, McMahon (Webb 73m), Platt, Steven, Beardsley, Linaker.

SCORERS: Baggio 72m, Schillaci 85m (pen) for Italy; Platt 80m for England.

REFEREE: Joel Quiniou (France). CROWD: 50,000.

STATS

ENGLAND: Free kicks 8, Corners 2, Shots on target 5, Shots off target 3.

ITALY: Free kicks 14, Corners 5, Shots on target 7, Shots off target 5.

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ITALY	ITALY 2-0	
URUGUAY	IRELAND 5-4pen	ITALY 1-0
ROMANIA		
IRELAND		
BRAZIL		ARGENTINA 4-3pen
ARGENTINA	ARGENTINA 1-0	ARGENT 3-2pen
YUGOSLAVIA	YUGOS 2-1aet	
SPAIN		
CAMEROUN	CAMEROUN 2-1	
COLOMBIA	ENGLAND 1-0aet	ENGLAND 3-2aet
ENGLAND		
BELGIUM		W.GERMANY 4-3pen
CZECHOS	CZECHOS 4-1	W.GERMANY 1-0
COSTA RICA	W.GERMANY 2-1	
WEST GERMANY		
HOLLAND		

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